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MAYBE A LITTLE TOO LATE?

Leukemia victim Michail Shirman (right) greets his sister Inessa Fleurov on her arrival from the Soviet Union in Israel. Fleurov struggled for eight months to emigrate to Israel in order to donate bone marrow to her brother. However, doctors think she came too late and say Shirman has only a 10 to 15% of survival, even with a bone marrow transplant. Shirman made a personal appeal to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev at the U.S.-Soviet summit in Iceland in October to let his sister out of Russia. [RNS photo]

Federations head calls for pluralism

By MURRAY ZUCKOFF

CHICAGO (JTA) — A call for pluralism in Jewish life in North America, abroad and in Israel, was issued here last week by Shoshana Cardin, president of the Council of Jewish Federations. She was making her keynote address to more than 3,000 Jewish leaders from the United States, Canada and overseas attending the 55th General Assembly of the CJF.

The commitment to pluralism "nurtures mutual respect among specific ideological groupings and seeks the pursuit of unity even in the midst of serious differences," Cardin declared in her address entitled "Klal Yisrael — Federation's role in building community." This was the theme of the entire convention, which ended Sunday.

"We believe that honest differences can be a source of creativity. We believe that the agenda which unites us is far more powerful and significantly more compelling than the agenda which divides us," she said. Furthermore, Cardin stated, "we are committed to a civil, even if passionate discourse. We are opposed to shrill and strident discourse."

The CFJ leader emphasized that "the Federation environment must not be used to leverage specific religious or ideological support at the expense of other religious persuasions and ideologies. . . . Respect for different ideological, religious or political persuasions — we accept. Demanding that one ideology or persuasion prevail to the exclusion of others — we decry."

Cardin's address was a dramatic reaffirmation that the CJF is a collectivity of diversity in unity and the unity of diverse elements and views, all working to "enhance the opportunity for effective community building" and making it "a shared responsibility," as she put it. All Jews, Cardin said, "should be participatory Jews." She noted that "Judaism is not a spectator ideology."

Her address was in many ways markedly different in scope and substance than those CJF presidents have delivered in previous General Assemblies. It was less concrete in terms of organizational guidelines, but more powerful in terms of a philosophical guidelines for "a vision of Klal Yisrael at home, abroad and in Israel."

Without specifying, her appeal for pluralism in Jewish life alluded to some of the discordant and vexing religious, social and economic issues existing in Jewish life.

These include: the ongoing conflict over who is a Jew; the role of the Orthodox establishment in Israel; the nuclear weapons build-up by the United States and Soviet Union; the Reagan administration's economic and social policies affecting the lower and middle income segments of American society; the Jewish community as a single or multi-issue-oriented community; and

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Bush reaffirms mutual dependence

CHICAGO (JTA) — Vice-President George Bush declared here Saturday night that the U.S. and Israel "are united in a long alliance dedicated to insuring not a beginning but a continuation, not the creation of the state but its survival." The "sheer bottom line consideration," he said, "is that the U.S. needs Israel and Israel needs the U.S. "This mutual dependence is good, not bad," Bush stated.

Addressing the closing plenary session of the 55th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations, Bush told 3,000 Jewish communal leaders from North America and abroad that this reaffirmation of the mutual bond needs to be repeated "as long as Israel is surrounded by those who could do her in."

Israel's friends "have a moral responsibility to declare to the world unambiguously and unequivocally Israel is our friend and ally," Bush said.

The vice-president was frequently interrupted by applause as he talked about U.S.-Israel relations, the need "to be tough in the continued war on terrorism" and the ongoing effort of the U.S. to press the Soviet Union about the rights of Soviet Jews. He emphasized that American support for Israel is unswerving.

Progress to peace crucial now, warns Perez de Cuellar

NEW YORK (JTA) — United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar warned here that without a breakthrough for peace in the Middle East — "including the Palestine Liberation Organization" — war can engulf the region once again.

"The situation in the region continues to be highly volatile," de Cuellar said in his annual report to the General Assembly last week on the situation in the Mideast. "There is a grave danger that if the present deadlock in the peace process is allowed to persist, major hostilities will break out again in the area as has happened several times in the past."

De Cuellar recalled that the Yom Kippur War between Egypt and Israel in 1973 almost led to direct confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union. He warned that a new war in the Mideast, "with the development of ever more sophisticated and destructive weapons," may be more difficult to control and may indeed bring a nuclear confrontation between the superpowers.

"A just and lasting peace (in the Mideast) can best be achieved through a comprehensive settlement covering all aspects of the conflict and involving all the parties concerned, including the Palestine Liberation Organization," de Cuellar said.

A comprehensive Mideast settlement, he continued, must be based on "withdrawal of Israeli forces from Arab territories occupied since June 1967; acknowledgment and respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of all the states in the region and their right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries; and finally a satisfactory solution of the Palestinian problem based on the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people, including self-determination."

The secretary-general was critical of Israel's settlement in the West Bank. "I am particularly concerned about the consequences that would flow from the establishment by Israel of additional settlements in the occupied territories," de Cuellar said, adding:

"This is a matter of deep concern and, more than any other single factor, contributes to doubts in the minds of many about Israel's readiness to negotiate a peace settlement that would require its withdrawal from the territories."

But the secretary-general also was critical of violent incidents in the region as major obstacle to peace. "Peace efforts would be enhanced if there was a lessening of violent incidents, which all too frequently involved innocent lives and of which there have been some particularly terrible examples" in the last year, he stated.

Arms for Iran

Israeli involvement denied

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Israel has been placed in an embarrassing position in the wake of President Reagan's admission that the U.S. government authorized the secret shipment of arms to Iran.

Reagan, in a television address last week, did not mention Israel once as he conceded that the White House has sent "defensive" weapons and spare parts to Iran since 1985. The omission was glaring, given the spate of news accounts claiming that Israel and/or Israelis were involved in the operation.

The President, responding to widespread criticism of his attempted rapprochement with the anti-American regime in Teheran, defended the controversial arms deal in strategic terms.

He said the U.S. wanted to "renew" Washington's ruptured relations with Iran, to bring an end to the Gulf War, and to eliminate state-sponsored terrorism. (Iran is on a U.S. list of na-

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EEC, U.S. punish Syrians

PARIS (JTA) — Eleven of the 12 European Economic Community (EEC) member states agreed last week to sanctions against Syria on the basis of Britain's charge that the Damascus government was involved with terrorist acts.

Only Greece refused to condemn Syria or vote for the 4-point sanctions progam at the EEC's ministers conference in London, hosted by British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe. The sanctions themselves are considerably less than Britain demanded at an earlier EEC ministers conference in Luxembourg last month.

They call for a total ban on arms sales to Syria; suspension of high level exchange visits between Syria and EEC countries; police surveillance of Syrian diplomatic missions; and security controls on the Syrian Arab Airlines.

Britain broke diplomatic relations with Syria on Oct. 24, after charging that the Syrian ambassador in London and his staff acted in collusion with Nezar Hindawi, the Jordanian national convicted of attempting to smuggle explosives aboard an El Al airliner at Heathrow Airport last April 17.

At the Luxembourg meeting, Howe had urged his EEC partners to follow Britain's lead, or at very least recall their ambassadors from Damascus. In London, he agreed to accept watered down sanctions in order, reportedly, to overcome the objections of Spain, Italy, France and West Germany.

The EEC Council of Ministers will set up an ad hoc working committee to implement the sanctions. But they are not considered likely to do Syria much harm.

The ban on Western arms sales, the strongest measure, will be more than offset by the Soviet Union, which has long been Syria's major supplier of weapons and military equipment.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan ordered a string of mild sanctions against Syria last week that are designed to punish that country for supporting terrorism.

The sanctions were in coordination with the arrival in Washington of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who led the drive for similar sanctions by the European Community.

The sanctions include further reductions of the U.S. embassy staff in the Syrian capital of Damascus, stepped up limits on exports of technical items to the country, termination of an air transport agreement between Syria and the United States and an end to ticket sales for Syrian Arab Airlines.

"Zadik" arrives

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Yitzhak Kogan, a former electronics engineer who became an Orthodox Jew during his 12-year quest for permission to emigrate from the Soviet Union, arrived in Israel with his family Sunday.

Kogan, who won the name of "Zadik (holy man) of Leningrad," was greeted at Ben-Gurion Airport by an ecstatic crowd of Chabad Chassidim. He stepped from the plane garbed in a black kaftan and wearing a long beard.

World-National

Goal of est to transform individual

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

In the latest edition of *Studies in Religion/ Sciences Religieuses*, a Canadian journal, I came across an article which I want to share with you. It was written by Pierre Pelletier, a Montreal psychotherapist, and its title attracted me at once: "*est*, une nouvelle religion?" (Is *est* a new religion?)

Rabbi Plaut

est is the abbreviation for Erhard Standard Training and has come to represent a large organization with many devotees, a methodology of reorienting the human mind, and a way of life which some have called a new religion. Its adherents cut across all traditional faith communities and are drawn primarily from the white middle class, including a fair sprinkling of professionals and enterpreneurs. And Jews in Canada who have had some contact with it, have wondered about its purpose and nature.

The founder and leader of *est* is Werner Erhard who was born in 1935 in Philadelphia as John Paul Rosenberg to a Christian mother and a father who had converted from Judaism. John who quit school at 18 and became a salesman of cars and encyclopedias, was fascinated with Buddhism and Scientology and, in 1971, in San Francsico, had what he calls an illumination. He perceived the way toward the essence of the Self and subsequently devised a way, called "training," to utilize this essence to the fullest. Each person, he feels, has this potential; it needs only to be discovered and harnessed. He is now known as Werner Erhard; Werner after the scientist Werner Heisenberg, and Erhard after the post-war German chancellor.

Self-realization

Since then, more than a half million people in various countries — including Canada and Israel — have undergone *training*, which is the cornerstone of what is now a widespread organization, centred in California. Its members and followers believe that they have discovered a new key toward self-realization, and many of them are fervent missionaries for the cause. Has it in fact now become a new religion?

The answer depends in part on how one defines religion. According to Richard Bergeron, religion is the human way of liberation, which has an all-encompassing belief structure and a system of individual and collective practice which are designed to relate human beings to each other, to the Sacred, and thereby to transcend their alienated existence.

***est* fits some of these definitional elements, but it does not have a creedal system nor a set of common practices, nor a relationship to the Sacred. But like a religion, *est* aims at transforming the individual.**

Seen as technology

Even if one uses other definitions of religion, says author Pelletier, *est* will not qualify. For without a sense of relationship to the Sacred — however, called or explained — one cannot speak of religion or religious cult. Members of *est* would generally agree. They continue to call themselves Jews, Christians, and so on.

But if one draws the definition differently, the answer to the religious nature of *est* may also be different. If, for instance, one sees religion's "ultimate concern" to lie in the satisfaction and transformation of human beings and their world, then Communism fits the definition of religion, and so do other movements, including *est*. But Pelletier demurs and thinks that this is bending the term religion beyond recognition. Certainly Judaism has centred on the Sacred, that is, God's relation to his people and the world.

Pelletier concludes that *est* must be seen as an aspect of our New-Technology. It is a technology of managing one's life, but not a new religion.

New Congress as pro-Israel as ever

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

American Jewish political activists were clearly delighted by the outcome of the mid-term congressional elections. But this was not necessarily because of the political setback for President Reagan, who is widely seen as extremely friendly toward Israel.

Rather, the Jews agreed that this new session of Congress will almost certainly be even more pro-Israeli than the last — and the last was indeed very pro-Israeli.

If the Israeli government plays its cards right, the new cast of characters in the Senate and House of Representatives can be expected to maintain very high levels of U.S. economic and military assistance to Israel even during the prevailing budget-cutting atmosphere.

And if President Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz should come forward with new legislative initiatives aimed at further strengthening Israel's defence and its economic recovery, the Congress will almost certainly go along with them.

The Democrats in the Senate and House, moreover, will be in a very strong position to block Republican-backed arms sales to "moderate" Arab states. Many observers, therefore, doubt very much whether the administration will even introduce such sales under the new circumstances.

The elections demonstrated once again that Israel's popularity in Washington is both non-partisan and non-ideological. Israel has friends among the most liberal Democrats and the most conservative Republicans. This was underscored in what were probably the two most important Senate races in the country — as far as Israel's narrow interests were concerned.

In California, incumbent Senator Alan Cranston, a liberal Democrat, faced a very stiff and angry challenge from Republican Ed Zschau, a young congressman who served on the House foreign affairs committee. This was probably the most bitter campaign in the country, with an almost endless number of negative ads appearing daily on California televisions. It drew an enormous amount of interest in the Jewish community around the country.

Zschau, while adopting in recent months a more positive posture toward Israel as his appetite for the U.S. Senate grew, had earlier been quite outspokenly critical. He voted against Israel on several key issues as a congressman. During questioning of state department officials, he often demonstrated a rather openly hostile attitude. Few Jews trusted him.

A lot of Jewish money, therefore, went to Cranston, a down-the line supporter who had often led the fight in the Senate against administration-backed arms sales to Arab states. Cranston won in a close contest.

An added benefit for Israel will be the fact that Zschau will not be returning to the House. In order to run for the Senate, he had to give up his House seat — one less hostile voice on the foreign affairs panel.

In Wisconsin, Bob Kasten, a conservative Republican, overcame a tough challenge from Democratic candidate Ed Garvey. Kasten, as chairman of the Senate appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations, was critical in pushing for increased U.S. aid to Israel in recent years. The Jewish community rallied behind him, wanting to reward him for his support.

The Jewish fund raisers, both individually as well as collectively through their political action committees (PACs), also wanted to make sure that Kasten would remain on that critical panel, which will now be chaired by Democratic Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii, another great friend of Israel. An Inouye-Kasten punch represents a real blessing for Israel's future aid prospects.

This combination also suggests that the two senators will probably once again cooperate in trying to pass legislation which will cut the prevailing interest rates on outstanding U.S. military loans to Israel in half — an immediate savings of at least $500 million. Their earlier effort was derailed shortly after the Jonathan Jay Pollard spy scandal erupted.

Morris J. Amitay, a former executive director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) who now heads a separate pro-Israeli political action committee in Washington, welcomed the fact that two well known critics of Israel — Republicans Barry Goldwater of Arizona and Charles McC. Mathias of Maryland — are retiring from the Senate.

The new senator from Maryland, Democrat Barbara Mikulski, has had an outstanding record on Israel during her years in the House of Representatives. And in Arizona, the Republican winner of the Senate contest, John McCain, is widely expected to be more friendly toward Israel than was Goldwater. Thus, there has been a net plus for Israel.

In recent years, Republican and Democratic politicians across the country have come to really respect — even fear — the fund raising and managerial clout of the American Jewish community, which is extremely well-organized and efficient in making its views known. Fear of a potential backlash is occasionally expressed but that has not yet materialized.

Two years ago, Jewish activists worked hard to unseat Republican Senator Charles Percy of Illinois, and they did. Four years ago, they did the same to Republican Representative Paul Findley of Illinois. Both men were seen as anti-Israel — Findley, of course, much more so than Percy. The pro-Israeli community's message was loud and clear — don't tangle with the Jews.

Both Jews who were seeking re-election, Republicans Warren Rudman of New Hampshire and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, won their contests, although three Jewish candidates seeking first terms in the Senate were defeated: Democrat Harriett Woods in Missouri who lost to former Governor Kit Bond; Democrat Mark Green in New York who lost in a lopsided contest to popular incumbent Alfonse D'Amato; and Republican Ken Kramer in Colorado who lost in a very close race to Tim Worth.

Bond, D'Amato and Worth are very supportive of Israel.

In the House, there will be about 30 Jews, roughly the same number as in the last session.

Because the Democrats have regained control of the Senate, they will again head — after a 6-year lapse — the key committees.

The new chairman of the foreign relations panel is expected to be Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island, replacing Republican Richard Lugar of Indiana. Returning to head the appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations will be Inouye of Hawaii, succeeding Kasten.

All four of these senators are seen as very pro-Israeli.

The new Majority leader almost certainly will be Robert Byrd of West Virginia, replacing Bob Dole of Kansas. Byrd, in recent years, has been pro-Israeli. Cranston is expected to become Majority whip.

Among those pro-Israeli senators who were re-elected were Republican Dole, Bob Packwood of Oregon, and Frank Murkowski of Alaska, as well as Democrats Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, Dale Bumpers of Arkansas, Alan Dixon of Illinois, John Glenn of Ohio, and Ernest Hollings of South Carolina.

Psychic G forces wrench newly released dissidents

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

One day, Yuri Orlov, the Soviet dissident, was in bitter Siberian exile, not knowing when he would be freed. A day later, he was moved to a Moscow jail and within a day he was winging his way to the United States. He met with the President, made statements to the press, hugged other exiled dissidents and, probably, fought for his sanity. The next day, in the only way he could, he tried to turn back the clock just a bit. In the ways of Russia, he went to pick mushrooms in the woods.

Anatoly Scharansky also experienced psychic G forces for which there is no parallel. One day he was in a KGB jail and a day later he was borne on the shoulders of his new countrymen to the Western Wall in Jerusalem. He even had a new name — the Hebrew Natan for the Russian Anatoly.

And how about David Goldfarb? Old and sick, a leg lost at Stalingrad and a toe to gangrene, he was whisked out of Russia on the private plane of industrialist Armand Hammer. His son was at Newark Airport to greet him.

Is there anything in the world to compare to these experiences? Men have been freed from prison before, exiled from their country before, returned from exile and, even, managed to keep themselves alive as the liberating armies approached the gates of places like Auschwitz, the "corpse factory" of Hannah Arendt's unforgettable phrase. But these events, as discombobulating as they were, approached slowly with warning. At Auschwitz, the guns could be heard in the distance; the behavior of the guards changed. Even Noah in his ark was tipped by a non-returning dove that the waters of the flood were receding.

But the contemporary world is unforgiving in its abruptness. The dissidents are rocketed out of the Soviet Union. They can breakfast in jail, lunch on an airplane and have dinner in the United States. To the cameras, they fake sanity, pretend they know what's going on, but they can not. They have been moved across time and place, from imprisonment to freedom and from one culture to another. The meaning of their life has been altered, maybe obliterated. Is it permissable to eat well when, just hours ago, your fellow prisoners were maybe not eating at all? Can you laugh in freedom when, before, you could not laugh at all? Can you yearn for creature comforts, television sets, cars? Can you chase a skirt? Nap? Do nothing?

Paradoxically, journalists who have tasted similar disconnected experiences write nothing about it. We simply do not know how. Some of us know what it is like to cover a war one moment and then, a day later, be back in Washington. A colleague remembers going almost directly from Vietnam to a Washington Redskins game. He was stunned. There were 50,000 people who seemed to care only about the Redskins. The place he left behind was redolent with fear, pain, anguish, death. The war raged in my colleague's head while, on the playing field, a bunch of men fought over a football.

A journalist can cover African famine and eat in Paris that night. In Vietnam, it was possible to cover the fighting by day and, only hours later, enjoy a shower and a bed with clean sheets.

The journalist insulates his emotions by professional calling: Someone's job is to make war; someone's job to cover it. Some of the world sits down to eat while some of the world starves. That, of course, has always been true. But not until recently was it true for a single person in a single day. We hesitate to write about it because we don't know quite what to make of it: Are the thoughts profound or are they banal?

After he won the Nobel Peace Prize, Elie Wiesel said he still felt guilty for having survived the concentration camps while so many — his own family included — did not. Why should he live when all the others died? For more than 40 years, the guilt has clung to him like a chill for which there is no blanket. He is forever the disengaged observer at the football game, the one who wonders how so many can cheer when, just hours away, so many others are dying.

Liberation for Wiesel was no sudden thing. But the sudden cascade of freedom, the turning of a jail-house key that opens a new land with a rush — that is something that as yet has not been described. Time has been altered, space diminished and the prisoner, suddenly freed, is imprisoned in a wholly new exprience. He smiles, says thank you and, after the strobe lights of photographers have turned cold, locks himself in to keep out what he can not understand. It is time to pick mushrooms.

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Principle at stake, says lawyer

Shul would take noise conviction to high court

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, certainly one of the community's more sedate institutions, is determined to go as far as the Supreme Court of Canada, says its lawyer, to prove it has a right to be noisy — or, at least, that it cannot be held responsible for the behavior of late-night revellers.

The synagogue, the largest and wealthiest in Montreal, is fighting a Westmount municipal court conviction of "excessive noise" in Quebec Superior Court. As the infraction carries a maximum $100 fine, lawyer Raphael Schachter confirmed that what is at stake is a principle.

Indeed, the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and its defence of religious freedom are cited in the appeal. To Schachter's knowledge, the case, scheduled to be heard Jan. 29, is probably the first of its kind in this country.

Congregation Shaar Hashomayim was found guilty in Westmount Municipal Court Sept. 9 by Judge William Shaw of contravening section 2 of Westmount's bylaw 498.

Shaw ruled that on Nov. 18, 1985, the Shaar "did unlawfully disturb the peace, comfort, tranquility or repose" of Jean Durcak, who lives across the street from the synagogue, "without his consent or acquiescence, by making, causing, producing or permitting an excessive noise." That night, Nov. 17-18, a wedding and reception took place at the Shaar.

Sentencing and the hearing of five other similar charges by Durcak against the Shaar, originally scheduled for Oct. 21, were postponed with the appeal. Durcak, a teacher, lives at 422 Metcalfe Ave., the same street as the entrance to the synagogue's main hall.

In the appeal, Schachter once again argues that the Shaar has demonstrated "due diligence" in trying to control both the noise coming from within the synagogue and that of persons exiting the building. These measures include soundproofing the walls and posting signs cautioning people to be quiet as they leave. In other words, there is a limit to the degree of liability the synagogue, as an institution, can assume for the persons using its facilities.

The other aspect of the Shaar's defence is that holding a celebration after a wedding is actually a part of the ceremony, and to prevent Jews from making merry could be an infringement on the practice of their religion. During the municipal court hearing, Shaar Associate Rabbi Allan Nadler, in fact, gave testimony to this effect.

Expressing reluctance in handing down the guilty verdict and praising the synagogue and its members for their standing in the community, Shaw, nevertheless, rejected this argument as "stretching the principle of religious freedom too far for this court to accept."

The prosecution put on the stand several neighboring residents, besides Durcak, as well as a Westmount public safety officer who alleged numerous noisy events have taken place at the Shaar over the years.

The judge was also not convinced that the Shaar had done all it could to keep the noise level down, or that persons buying property near a public building should expect a certain amount of inconvenience.

In the appeal, Schachter claims Shaw did not give proper consideration to two points of jurisprudence. One is a 1981 case in which the city of Sault Ste. Marie went all the way to the Supreme Court and won on the defence it had taken "due diligence" in preventing the municipal infraction of which lower courts had convicted it.

The second case, the Saumur case, goes back to the Duplessis era when the Jehovah's Witnesses were arrested for distributing pamphlets on the street. The courts eventually ruled that such activity was within the realm of religious freedom.

Schachter makes an analogy with the Shaar case in that religious freedom is not merely restricted to the practice of ritual. The appeal also claims Shaw's application of a municipal regulation against a religious community is a contravention of both the Canadian and Quebec rights charters, thereby exceeding his jurisdiction.

Schachter, a criminal lawyer who has made headlines with his success in a number of sensational trials, said, "I believe this is a community problem which I would hope could be resolved within the community," adding, however, that both sides are prepared to go to the highest legal avenues.

Create guaranteed annual income, Croll urges federal government

By
JEFF ROSEN

OTTAWA — The time has come for the federal government to establish a guaranteed annual income to provide the elderly and poor with minimum living standards "which they are entitled to," Senator David Croll declared recently.

At the same time, the federal government should set up a department for the elderly and a national organization should be formed to speak for older people on major issues, Croll said in a speech to the Senate.

"The greatest need is not new money, but dignity, communication and national respect," said Croll. "Older people must not let themselves be shut out of the political process. Their participation would be of benefit to all of us."

Croll pointed out that the concept of establishing a guaranteed annual income was first recommended 15 years ago in the Senate Report on Poverty as a means of replacing existing welfare measures. While supported by former Conservative leader Robert Stanfield in his first election campaign, Croll said the present government has taken no position on the matter.

Widely endorsed concept

He added that Liberal leader John Turner has come out in favor of a guaranteed annual income.

Croll said the concept has been endorsed by every labor organization in Canada, as well as the National Anti-Poverty Organization, the National Welfare Council on Social Development, by Donald MacDonald, by the Fraser Institute of Vancouver and by Claude Forget, chairman of the committee studying the unemployment insurance system.

Croll said such a system would not necessarily be easier or less costly to operate then the present welfare system. On the contrary, he said it would take a great deal of administrative skill to provide a guaranteed income to all Canadians.

"It would serve the purpose of distributing wealth and of filling gaps, of helping single women, widows, minimum wage earners and the silent and forgotten ones."

As well as providing a guaranteed income, Croll said the government should establish a department for the elderly to coordinate the various economic, social and retirement programs which are now scattered throughout the federal bureaucracy. Not only would this increase efficiency and save the government money, Croll said, but would also bring a "new respect and dignity" to Canada's elderly population.

However, senior citizens must not wait for the government to act. Instead, he called for a national organization to speak for older people. Such a body, he said, could be funded by individual dues as modest as a dollar a year.

"This organization could address provincial and regional issues as well as those of Canada-wide concern," Croll said. "A national organization of the aged could light a fire in Ottawa that would ignite the conscience of all Canadians. Older Canadians have tested their strength once, and they can do so again and again. If the right pressure is applied, the federal government can bring about this overdue consolidation of agencies and services which now operate in fragmented fashion."

CLC president stresses concern for Soviet Jewry

OTTAWA — Canadian Labor Congress president Shirley Carr reiterated her organization's concern for the plight of Soviet Jewry in a recent meeting with Canadian Jewish Congress officials.

According to CJC, Carr indicated that she has discussed the issue with the Soviet Trade Union Movement, the International Labor Organization and the International Council of Free Trade Unions. CLC vice-president John Harker was also present at the meeting.

The CJC and CLC officials talked about the issue of Nazi war criminals in Canada and the CJC's relations with other cultural communities.

While in Ottawa, the CJC delegation also met with House of Commons Speaker John Fraser to congratulate him on his appointment.

Members of the CJC delegation were: president Dorothy Reitman; executive vice-president Alan Rose; executive director Jack Silverstone; Mira Koschitzky, chairman of the national executive; and Barbara Stern, chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

Canadian Jewish Congress officials meet with Shirley Carr, president of the Canadian Labor Congress. From left are Dorothy Reitman, Carr, Alan Rose, Mira Koschitzky and Barbara Stern.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Why do we say a prayer when giving tzedakah? — HOWARD ROSEN, Toronto.

If you are asking about a beracha, please be advised that we don't say a benediction before giving tzedakah.

Why we don't do it is a question. For every mitzvah, there is an appropriate blessing, generally speaking. For kiddush, havdallah, for all kinds of foods, for the burning of foods such as chometz before Passover, for mezuzah, shofar, and a host of others, we have specific blessings.

Rabbi Burak

Why then don't we have a nice blessing for giving charity? The question is asked by the Rashba (Ibn Adret), volume 1, responsum 18. His answer shows us that our lives follow old, established, patterns. Have you ever given a check to some collector, only to have him throw it back at you?

The recipient may feel that you are not adequately appreciating his cause, or his very real and pressing needs. That's why he won't accept your gift. Are you going to raise the amount to meet his expectations?

The heart of the problem comes at this point. If he refuses to accept your offering, and you don't raise your sights, you are guilty of having taken the name of Hashem in vain, in your benediction. Then you are at fault. Therefore it is wiser for you not to say the blessing. Just offer him the money.

If the receiver refuses to accept it, you haven't been guilty of saying a blessing improperly. This reasoning is regarded as satisfactory, except by those who challenge it and maintain that when you do your part and another factor blocks you, you are not at fault.

For example, suppose you are a ba'al toke'ah, a shofar blower of considerable skill. For years, you have fulfilled this duty very well. Then comes a day, and it does come, when you have said the blessings and put the shofar to your lips, and the shofar goes on strike. You blow, but the shofar is on strike, and nothing come out right. At such a time, are you at fault for the blessing you said?

This leads other scholars to seek a different explanation, based on a story told in Tractate Ta'anis, 21A. Said Nachum, the man of Gam-Zu: "I was at one time on the way to the house of my father-in-law, and had three asses, one laden with food, another with drink, and a third with delicacies.

"In the course of my journey a poor man approached me and said: 'Rabbi, give me some food,' and I answered: 'Wait until I can unload my asses.' But, before I had done so, the poor man expired. So, I fell on his face and said: 'My eyes, which had no consideration for thine eyes, may they become blind. . . .' "

Don't wait then to say a blessing before giving alms to a poor man. He might die while you are talking to Hashem. After you have given what he needed, you are permitted to say prayers.

The opposite side to this may be seen in Tractate Pesachim, 8A-B, in the words: "If one declares, 'This sela be for charity in order that my son shall live,' or, 'in order that I may merit the future world,' he is completely righteous.' " This formula wastes no time. Furthermore, it has been explained by the Gaon Rabbi Mordecai Benet z.l. as meaning "you don't have to be ashamed to take this money from me; my son is ill, and I'm doing this for his sake." Such a feeling is the mark of tzaddik.

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Rabbi Moses J. Burak will conduct a men's Talmud class in Tractate Kethuboth, on Wednesday nights, beginning on Nov. 26 at Beth Jacob Synagogue, at 8 o'clock.

Marmur succeeds Stroh as president

Kadima urging Zionist elections

By
RON CSILLAG

MONTREAL —

Toronto's Rabbi Dow Marmur, the newly-elected head of Kadima — the Canadian Council of Reform Zionists — has rekindled an old controversy among Canadian Zionists: the free election of delegates to the next World Zionist Congress.

Marmur, senior rabbi at Holy Blossom Temple, was chosen to succeed Rabbi Michael Stroh of Toronto's Temple Har Zion as president of Kadima, which claims 6,000 members in Canada, at the national convention of the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations in Montreal over the weekend.

Stroh is founding president of Kadima and will retain the presidency of Arzenu, the world body of Reform Zionists.

In his acceptance speech, Marmur called for a democratic election rather than the appointment of delegates to the next World Zionist Congress, scheduled to take place in November or December of 1987.

There have been no elections of delegates to the last two World Zionist Congresses and Kadima, founded in 1979, has long called for an end to what it terms an "old boys' network" of appointing representatives.

The Canadian Zionist Federation ultimately has had control of choosing delegates to the World Zionist Congress and Kadima, a CZF constituent, feels it has been squeezed out of the picture.

In the last Congress, in 1982, the 49,000-member CZF had 19 delegates, while Kadima was allocated only one.

The CZF has traditionally dismissed the idea of electing delegates, arguing it would cost too much to mail out almost 50,000 ballots.

Rabbi Dow Marmur

Kadima feels it would receive a fairer proportion of delegates if elections were held.

Early this week, Marmur met with CZF executive director Rabbi Meyer Krentzman in Montreal, to put forth his case.

"Even if I were given the choice between getting more delegates and free elections, I'd choose elections just on principle," Marmur told The CJN.

In his address, Marmur said that "for the sake of democracy and truth, it is imperative that elections be held this time. Kadima repudiates the attempts... to disenfranchise card-carrying Zionists in Canada by avoiding elections. We pledge to use all the means at our disposal to make sure democracy prevails."

Marmur added that Kadima now has more ammunition in its campaign: an Arzenu representative in Jerusalem and a call by World Zionist Organization head Leon Dulzin for free elections.

Also at Kadima's disposal is the Supreme Zionist Court in Israel, the final arbiter in world Zionist matters.

"Kadima wants elections to the Zionist Congress because it is a democratic organization and views democracy in the Zionist world as an indispensable condition for Zionist renewal," Marmur said. "But we also want elections because we want to send many of our people as delegates to the Zionist Congress. The more delegates we have, the more likely it is that our voice will be heard and heeded."

Marmur said there is "a direct link" between the number of delegates sent to the next Zionist Congress and the way funds to Israel from Reform Jews are spent, since "half" the leadership of the Jewish Agency, the body that allocates Diaspora funds in Israel, is made up by the WZO, and the more Reform delegates sent, the more Reform representation there would be on the WZO executive.

"These elections are a test of our seriousness as Reform Jews and our readiness to be part of the Zionist enterprise," Marmur said. "The Zionist Congress is the nearest to a parliament of world Jewry we have today.

"If we really believe in a pluralistic Israel; if we really want to make sure that Orthodox institutions financed by Diaspora money do not destroy the fabric of Israeli society, we can actually do something about it."

Other tactics to be used by Reform Zionists, he added, are to maintain contacts with Conservative Jews in the Diaspora and in Israel in an effort to keep the Law of Return and the issue of Who is a Jew? from changing.

In the next few months, Kadima will embark on an "intensive" membership drive, Marmur added.

PLO motion on Liberal list

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

A pro-PLO resolution is scheduled to be the first subject for debate at the national convention of the youth wing of the federal Liberal Party Nov. 27 in Ottawa.

The resolution was passed by the Quebec section of the Young Liberals at its general assembly last May. In fact, it was the resolution receiving the highest number of votes. Each of the five sections of the Young Liberals is permitted to present three resolutions for the consideration of the national convention.

The resolution calls upon the Liberal Party of Canada to recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization as "the principal spokesgroup of the Palestinian people," as well as to reaffirm its "opposition to the Israeli policy of settlements in occupied territories, and . . . its demand that Israel pulls out of these territories."

Jonathan Schneiderman, a vice-president of the Young Liberals of Canada, said he believes it is unlikely the resolution will be adopted by the 400 to 450 delegates he expects to attend the national convention.

Delegates will consider first the top 15 resolutions from across the country on a wide range of issues, and another 15, if time allows. The three most popular resolutions will be referred to the Liberal Party national convention which begins the next day.

However, Schneiderman and other members of the Quebec Young Liberals are prepared to speak against the resolution. "We have been doing our homework," he said.

At the Quebec section's assembly, the **Mount Royal Young Liberal Association proposed a resolution that the party continue its present policy of not recognizing the PLO until it renounces terrorism and recognizes Israel's right to exist. Ironically, it was also passed but not with as strong a majority as the pro-PLO resolution.**

Schneiderman feels the Quebec Young Liberals were influenced by St. Denis member of Parliament Marcel Prud'homme who led the deliberations on foreign affairs at the assembly. Prud'homme is a longtime supporter of the Palestinians' case.

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Arafat brother to come for fund raising drive

MONTREAL —

Fathi Arafat, the brother of the Palestine Liberation Organization leader, is scheduled to be in Montreal Nov. 21.

Fathi Arafat, president of the Palestinian Red Crescent Society, is to be the guest of honor at a fund raising dinner for the Red Crescent hospital in Chatila, Lebanon. The event has been organized by Aide medicale pour la Palestine, in collaboration with eight local Arab organizations.

Fathi Arafat's appearance here in 1983, at a conference sponsored by an Arab university students' association, sparked a large demonstration by the Jewish community.

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How or when he arrived in Israel unknown

Treason or espionage charge for Vanunu likely

By DAVID LANDAU AND GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Mordechai Vanunu, the former technician at the Dimona nuclear facility, will be charged with either treason or espionage for allegedly revealing secret information about Israel's nuclear weapons capabilities, it was learned here.

If convicted of espionage, the 31-year-old Israeli who recently converted to the Christian faith would face life imprisonment. Capital punishment applies for treason.

The government announced that Vanunu is being held in Israel "under lawful detention" and is represented by counsel. The statement, released after a cabinet meeting, was the first official acknowledgement that Vanunu, who was reported missing in London Oct. 1 is in Israel (CJN Nov. 13).

He was remanded in custody for 15 days by order of a senior police officer, an indication of the gravity of the charges which will be brought against him. In cases other than espionage or treason, a suspect cannot be detained unless brought before a judge within 48 hours of arrest.

The government statement said that Vanunu was checked by a medical doctor shortly after he was brought to Israel. It emphatically denied charges that he was kidnapped in London by Israeli agents and brought here against his will. But there was no indication of how or when he arrived in Israel.

After the government's admission that Vanunu is in custody, Amnon Zichroni, a lawyer well known in leftist circles, revealed that he had been appointed to represent the suspect, at his own request. Zichroni told reporters that he had asked Premier Yitzhak Shamir to announce publicity that Vanunu was being held in Israel.

But according to media reports, the decision to go public was made in consultation between Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Zichroni reportedly hastened the decision by threatening to ask the Supreme Court to order the government to make a statement about Vanunu. Had such an appeal been made, the government would have no choice but to make public that Vanunu is in Israel.

Zichroni told reporters that Vanunu complained he was the target of public lynching by the media in Israel. He is alleged to have been the source of a story in the Sunday Times of London in September that Israel has been manufacturing nuclear weapons for 20 years and has enough in stock now to rank as the world's sixth nuclear power.

Vanunu's family in Beersheba has been notified where he is being held but has not visited him so far. His parents, Orthodox Jews of Moroccan origin, publicly disowned their son. They reportedly left Beersheba for the Orthodox township of Bnei Brak because of persistent harassment.

Vanunu's brother, Albert, said: "We are confident that Mordechai will have a fair trial. We would like it to take place quickly and finish quickly." One of his sisters said the family is glad he is alive, even if he is guilty.

Israel's announcement that it is indeed holding Vanunu may have come just in time to prevent a dangerous deterioration in relations between London and Jerusalem.

There can be little doubt that the timing of the cabinet secretary's statement — Israel's first official word on this saga — was linked to the growing wave of media speculation in Britain that Vanunu was kidnapped from British soil by Israeli agents.

Worse still, the British press was suggesting that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had actually been apprised ahead of time, by then-Premier Shimon Peres, of Israel's intention to abduct Vanunu.

Israel took pains to insist that Vanunu had not been snatched from British soil — and therefore no conversation about such an abduction had taken place between Thatcher and Peres.

According to reports from London, the government there is making a determined effort to make do with this terse Israeli position — and to have the British media make do with it, too.

Plainly, had Israel continued to stay silent, the credibility of one of its major friends on the world stage, Mrs. Thatcher, would have been seriously jeopardized as the story continued to burgeon in Fleet Street. The British premier could have been damagingly embarrassed.

In addition, Israel's top policymakers and their legal advisors may have been prompted to act now and release a public statement for fear of being forced to by the High Court of Justice.

But beyond these tactical and legal considerations, Shamir, Peres and Rabin may well have been moved by a more fundamental examination of Israel's condition at this most extremely delicate juncture in its various foreign relationships — and especially relationships connected with covert activities.

They may have decided to clean up, as best they could, the messy aftermath of the Vanunu affair before bracing themselves to face possibly heavy fallout from the arms-to-Iran affair (CJN Nov. 13).

The Israeli policymakers are keenly aware of the still ominous build-up of questioning and criticism within the American political community over insistent reports that the U.S. and Iran are engaged in longtime negotiations and tradeoffs involving arms for hostages — and that Israel is playing the role of secret middleman, and supplier of the arms to the Khomeini regime.

Politicians and pundits are bound to point out that Israel is always stridently advocating an arms boycott of any state abetting terror — and yet here is evidence that the same Israel is actively participating in an ongoing arms-supply relationship with the quintessential terrorist state.

Compounding Israel's discomfort is a string of other damaging intelligence-related episodes:

- The Pollard affair, involving U.S. naval official Jonathan Jay Pollard, who allegedly passed on American secret assessments to the Israelis, hit the headlines just one year ago — and the scars it left are still unhealed.
- The Shin Bet affair, involving the coverup of an illegal killing of two Palestinian terrorists, is not yet concluded. Police investigators are wrestling with the conflicting accounts of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and then-Shin Bet head Avraham Shalom regarding who authorized the killings and the cover-up
- The security aspects of the Vanunu affair must surely disturb the Israeli intelligence community and its political masters. According to foreign reports, one senior Shin Bet official already has been fired in the wake of what appears to have been a major security lapse.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said there was "no basis for any crisis of confidence or split between Britain and Israel. After all, we have informed Britain that we have done nothing to contravene the laws of Britain. Therefore, there is no reason for any complaints against Israel," he said.

Met pro-PLO group, Scharansky apologizes

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Natan Scharansky issued a public apology last week for meeting with pro-PLO Palestinians in East Jerusalem. "I learned that the delegation that met with me was identified with the PLO only after our meeting. Had I known this fact in advance, the meeting never would have taken place," Scharansky said.

Scharanksy's statement, a fierce attack on the PLO and avowal of confidence in the government's determination to fight it, was issued after the Soviet Jewry activist came under fire from Orthodox and rightwing circles for meeting the Palestinians.

The group he met with is seeking to block a deportation order against East Jerusalem editor Akhram Haniye, whom the authorities accuse of PLO activity in the administered territories though not of direct involvement in terrorist acts.

The most prominent among them is Feisal Husseini, a leading East Jerusalem intellectual sympathetic to the PLO. Husseini said that Scharansky made his statement under heavy pressure from rightwing Israelis.

Scharansky said: "The people of Israel are waging a war of self-defence against the PLO, a criminal terror organization whose goal is the denial of the legitimate rights of the Jewish people to their homeland, and ultimately the destruction of the State of Israel. Both the aims and the barbarous methods of this organization of cutthroats violate every human standard.

"The PLO and those who support it place themselves beyond the pale of civilized society. I learned that the delegation that met with me was identified with the PLO only after our meeting. Had I known this fact in advance, the meeting would never have taken place.

". . . The blood of my brothers is on their hands . . . I have full confidence that the government and security forces of Israel are waging an unrelenting battle for our protection. . . . The pursuit of this goal in accordance with the laws of the State of Israel and subject to the judicial scrutiny of the Israeli Supreme Court is in no way a violation of human rights. . . ."

Haniye has appealed to the Supreme Court against his deportation. The order will not be implemented until the high court rules on the appeal.

Second transplant patient has died

HAIFA (JTA) — Eliahu Schreir, Israel's second liver transplant patient, died at Rambam Hospital in Haifa, 18 days after surgery. His death followed by five days that of the first transplant patient, Mira Schichmanter.

Despite the setback, Rambam Hospital director Albert Sattinger said the liver transplant operations would continue, and the health ministry confirmed that.

Doctors at the hospital said that Schreier, like Schichmanter, succumbed to complications arising from the advanced stages of their liver ailments, not the surgery. Both underwent second operations to correct internal hemorrhaging. According to Sattinger, neither patient would have lived more than a few days if they hadn't received transplants.

He stressed that it was impossible to evaluate liver transplants on the basis of only two cases. He noted that the first four liver transplants carried out at Children's Hospital, in Pittsburgh, where the technique was developed, also failed to save the patients' lives, but now there is a 70-80% chance of success. Dr. Yigal Kam, who operated on Schreier and Schichmanter, was trained in the procedure at the Pittsburgh hospital.

Sattinger noted further that the Israeli patients applied for transplants only at a late stage of their illness. The family of Schreir, who was 59 and lived in Moshav Shoresh, near Jerusalem, said they were all aware of the risks, but decided they were worthwhile.

Antwerp synagogue damaged by bomb

PARIS (JTA) — A powerful bomb exploded outside the main synagogue in Antwerp last week, causing extensive damage but no casualties. The building was unoccupied at the time.

A police spokesman said the explosive was placed outside the main entrance. No messages were found and no group claimed responsibility. Two caretakers who live behind the synagogue said they heard no suspicious noises during the night.

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"More sophisticated" public relations

Clark: No change in Soviet human rights policy

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
Despite a "more sophisticated" use of public relations, "nothing" has really changed in the Soviet Union in the matter of human rights, except where the Soviets' non-compliance with human rights agreements harms their interests in foreign policy, Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark said here recently.

In accepting a human rights award from the Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, Clark said the Soviet Union is making use of a good public relations campaign "to give the illustration of progress where really there is none."

Clark told about 100 lawyers, judges and politicians active in the Soviet Jewry movement that on human rights, the Soviets react only when their own interests are at stake, despite the recent release of a few prominent Refuseniks.

"The Soviet Union must understand that the release of a few prominent dissidents will not cause the West to reduce the pressure for more fundamental changes in Soviet practices and policies," he said.

Clark blasted the Soviet Union for not respecting its own constitution, which, on paper, guarantees freedom of religion and freedom of worship.

"Nobody denies that Jews in the USSR are Soviet citizens. Nobody denies that Judaism is a religion. Nobody denies that the Soviet Union has freely and willingly entered into international agreements (guaranteeing human rights). And yet, Soviet Jews are denied their right to practice and to teach their religion.

"Many groups suffer under such a repressive system, but perhaps none so harshly as Soviet Jews.

"The Soviet constitution guarantees Soviet citizens the right to work, including the right to choose their trade or profession. And yet, many Refuseniks suffer the double blow of being denied permission to go and then being prohibited from continuing to work in their old jobs."

Burt Raphael (left), chairman of Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, presents the Human Rights Award to Secretary of State for External Affairs Joe Clark for his work on behalf of Soviet Jewry. [Graphic Artists photo]

The issue before Canada and the West, Clark said, is one of confidence in Soviet compliance.

"If the Soviet Union is unwilling to adhere to the provisions of its own constitution, how are we to have any confidence that they will uphold their international obligations, including arms control and disarmament agreements?" Clark asked. "Canada takes the position that human rights form an integral part of customary international law."

However, Clark said he senses an improvement in the Soviets' attitude toward human rights. Whereas at one time the Soviets dismissed Western concern over their policy on human rights as interference in their internal affairs, today "it has taken a long time, but the USSR is now prepared to discuss with us its human rights record."

For example, during the visit to Ottawa last month of Soviet foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, Clark said he raised the issue of human rights and "this time, Mr. Shevardnadze did not refuse to discuss the matter." In fact, the Soviet foreign minister even undertook to personally review the cases of several Refuseniks, Clark noted.

And at the recent review in Vienna of human rights accords, the Soviets invited all nations involved to a similar human rights conference in Moscow.

"We should not dismiss this proposal out of hand," Clark cautioned, but added that such a gathering in Moscow would be credible only if tangible improvements on human rights are forthcoming from the Soviets.

How can the West bring about progress?

"First, we have to be hardheaded, both about the intransigence of the Soviet system and about the practical effectiveness of measures open to us. Mere words are not enough for the West either. We want to end the repression, not just condemn it."

Because Canada cannot completely break ties with the Soviets over human rights, Clark said economic, rather than legislative pressures, would be more effective in bringing about change.

The Soviets "are becoming more aware that their human rights record stops Canadian consumers from buying Soviet products and that the best way to change that image is to allow more families to be reunited in the West and to cease the repression suffered by those who remain in the USSR."

In the meantime, Clark pledged that Canada will continue to press for increased Soviet emigration and reunification of families. Negotiations on the reunification of families whose members are split between the Soviet Union and Canada will get underway early next year, he added.

Clark was presented with the committee's Human Rights Award by its chairman, Bert Raphael. Also in attendance were MPs Bill Attewell, John Oostrom and David Kilgour; Ontario Ombudsman Dan Hill; Ontario Human Rights Commission chairman Canon Borden Purcell and former federal Supreme Court Justice Emmett Hall.

Israel-S.Africa "ties" blasted

NEW YORK (JTA) —
The United Nations General Assembly has condemned by a large margin Israel's "increasing collaboration with the racist regime of South Africa," and demanded that Israel terminate "all forms of collaboration" with the Pretoria government.

The vote was 102-29, with 26 abstentions. The anti-Israeli vote, singling Israel out for alleged military and economic cooperation with the apartheid government of South Africa, was one of eight resolutions condemning all aspects of South Africa's apartheid policies.

Israel is singled out for condemnation on this issue by the General Assembly every year as a result of Arab pressure, despite the fact that Arab and other countries are engaged in trade and have other ties with South Africa.

According to information distributed by the Israel mission here, South Africa imported $10 billion worth of oil from the Arab countries, from 1980 to 1984, in violation of the 1979 UN oil embargo on South Africa.

The anti-Israeli resolution adopted by the Assembly charged that Israel's ties with South Africa constitute "a serious threat to the international action for the eradication of apartheid," and a "threat to international peace and security."

The resolution underscored the alleged "military and nuclear" cooperation between Israel and South Africa, and requested an immediate end of ties between the two countries.

The United States, Canada and Australia, as well as most of the West European countries, joined Israel in voting against the resolution. Israeli diplomats noted that last year only 19 countries joined Israel against a similar resolution, while this year 28 countries supported Israel.

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1. What was the major event in Canadian Jewish life in the year 1971?

2. Who performed the first recorded mouth-to-mouth resuscitation?

3. What shameful resolution was passed at the United Nations on Nov. 10, 1975?

Edmond Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. The visit of Prime Minister Aleksei Kosygin of the Soviet Union to Canada.
2. The prophet Elisha (II Kings 4:34).
3. Equating Zionism with racism.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

In an unprecedented deal between Israel and the PLO, six Israeli soldiers taken prisoner in Lebanon 15 months earlier were released for some 5,500 Palestinian Arabs, on Nov. 24, 1983. The latter included 63 convicted and 36 suspected terrorists, and the 4,500 detainees of the Ansar detention camp in southern Lebanon.

A number of factors complicated Israel's long-standing policy of not dealing with terrorists. The services of willing intermediaries were at hand: France and Bruno Kreisky of Austria. In a country where every fighting man is counted, the soldiers' imprisonment was a festering source of anguish for friends, family and army comrades. A swap could be regarded as between two forces, but with the attendant risk of at least some implicit recognition of the PLO.

The Ansar camp was: a daily drain on an already overstrained budget; a potential site for rebellion, or for another Sabra and Shatila like massacre; a growing focus of hostile anti-Israel media; and a major groundpeg pinning an increasingly reluctant Israeli presence to southern Lebanon.

An Israeli electorate subjected to economic disasters and a faltering military was generally cheered by the return of its six sons. The Jewish settlers of Judea and Samaria, those immediately threatened by the prisoners' release into southern Lebanon, were not as jubilant, but at 40,000, they represented less than 1% of the population. Residents of Kiryat Shemona, Nahariya, and other northern border towns were also unhappy. Israel's internal complexity once again prevented a unified response.

"No choice"

Released pale and thin were Eli Abitbul and Avi Kronenfeld, of Acco, Rafi Hazan and Avi Montabelski, of Holon, Danny Gilboa of Tel Aviv, and Reuven Cohen, of Yavneh. Local crowds roared their delight, showered them with flowers and champagne, and swept them on their shoulders, singing Havenu Shalom Aleichem.

Still in Arab hands were three Israelis held by Ahmed Jibril in Damascus, an antagonist of PLO chairman Yasser Arafat.

In exchange, Israel emptied the Ansar camp. The 1,000 jailed terrorists flown out of Israel included participants in infamous attacks like the Sabena airplane hijacking, the Beit Hadassah massacre, and the Savoy Hotel takeover. Women freed included: Nadia Hayat, 27, and Hanu Mashiah, 25, Ramallah teachers serving life sentences for bombings in Netanya and Jerusalem; and Jackie Shamout, an Israeli Arab, who, with her husband, boobytrapped a watermelon. Her husband was also released.

Many of the Ansar detainees who did not return to homes in southern Lebanon were flown to a PLO training camp in Algeria.

Comments on the unevenness of the deal by Israelis involved boiled down to the consensus: "There was no choice; that was the price we had to pay."

The Israelis' chief negotiator, former justice minister Shmuel Tamir, described the PLO as "far more cynical, cruel and ruthless than anyone imagined previously." Prisoners were kept in the Tripoli PLO camp when it came under heavy shelling by rebel forces. Gilboa suffered a nervous breakdown. The PLO agreed to release him immediately if four doctors — two of their own and two provided by the Red Cross — unanimously concurred that he had to be removed immediately. After examining Gilboa, the four did agree. Arafat, however, Tamir reported, brushed aside their conclusion, and continued to hold the suffering prisoner for the duration of the negotiations.

The prisoner exchange coincided with the cessation of the 7-month rebel siege, which was threatening to strangle Arafat's forces in Lebanon. Arafat again walked up in triumph from the brink of disaster. Pundits pondered the cessation's timing, in the web of interests so intricately spun in the Middle East, but in the end failed to find any clear link.

Negotiations continued, as the value of Jewish lives was impressed on the Arabs. A year and a half later, Jibril and Syria released their three Israelis for 1,150 terrorists, including Kozo Okamoto, surviving member of the 3-man Japanese Red Army squad that killed 27 people in Ben Gurion Airport in 1972.

CTV's Sword of Gideon will thrill

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. This biblical injunction was carried out to its gruesome but logical conclusion in the early 1970s, when the Mossad, Israel's secret service, reportedly assassinated Palestinian leaders who had been involved in the planning of the Munich Olympic massacre.

Two years ago, Toronto author George Jonas produced a widely-read book about the Israeli hit team that exacted Israel's revenge. *Vengeance*, which was brilliant, grew out of the confessions of a man named Avner who had led the team.

Riveting and spellbinding, Vengeance delved into the murky world of international espionage and terrorism. Foreign editions were published in the U.S., Britain, West Germany, Brazil, Portugal, Spain, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, France and Italy. It was a huge success.

The book, however, was not universally loved. A handful of critics questioned its authenticity, but this reviewer was not among them. As far as I am concerned, Vengeance was a facsimile of the truth. Who else but Israel could have had an interest in hunting down the Palestinian masterminds of the Munich outrage?

True, Jonas altered facts here and there, and may have added a dab of makeup on some of his characters. But he did this to protect certain confidances. In any event, Vengeance was a remarkable reflection of reality, and it was inevitable that it would be turned into a movie.

Now it has been. On Sunday, Nov. 30 and Monday Dec. 1, from 9 to 11 p.m., *Sword of Gideon*, based on Vengeance, will be broadcast over the CTV network across Canada. (CFTO in Toronto and CFCF in Montreal). It will also be shown on HBO (Home Box Office) in the U.S.

Sword of Gideon doesn't match Vengeance for excitement and sheer technical bravura, but it is fine TV nevertheless. Produced by Robert Lantos (*Joshua Then and Now*) and Stephen Roth, and directed by Michael Anderson (*Around the World in Eighty Days* and *The Shoes of the Fishermen*), Sword of Gideon is a suspenseful film with a first-rate cast.

And I think George Jonas will like it.

Like Vengeance, Sword of Gideon is not propagandistic. It is neither a paean to Zionism nor a tribute to Israel, though it does approach the Arab-Israeli problem and the issue of terrorism from Israel's vantage point.

Shot on location in Montreal, Quebec City, New York, Rome, Paris, London and Israel, Sword of Gideon is no swashbuckling, mindless adventure picture with 1-dimensional papier mache characters.

Sword of Gideon, while hardly lacking crackling scenes usually associated with superior spy thrillers, is rather more interested in character analysis and development.

Steven Bauer and Leslie Hope in Sword of Gideon, to be shown on TV Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

There are no cold-blooded heroes or silly heroics here. Men are men, whether they are Jews or Arabs (though, to be entirely fair about it, the Arabs come off as distant, remote figures with no distinct personalities.)

And the Mossad is not glorified. It is depicted as a ruthless and extremely efficient organization that, when necessary, sacrifices its own agents for the greater cause of defending Israel's security.

This is made clear from the outset. Avner (Steven Bauer), a self-assured captain in the Israeli army, asks his father (John Hirsch, the theatre director) whether he should take up a Mossad invitation to enlist. The father, an ex-agent, advises him not to. The Mossad, he suggests, squeezes you dry like a crushed lemon.

But Avner, a patriotic Sabra, is not receptive to his advice. And after meeting Golda Meir, the Prime Minister, he decides to throw in his lot with the Mossad.

Golda (Colleen Dewhurst) is seen as a kindly, chain-smoking, motherly person who is determined to "cut off the hands of the terrorists" who murdered Israel's Olympic athletes.

Avner's contact in the Mossad, Samuels (Rod Steiger), is a hardboiled, unsentimental company man who demands receipts for all expenses incurred in the line of duty. He makes it crystal clear that Israel will disclaim any connection with Avner and his men if they are caught.

Steiger is particularly good, and his East European Yiddish accent, save for an occasional Germanic whine, sounds exceedingly real.

The action revolves around the attempt by the Mossad squad to dispose of the Palestinians implicated in the Munich killings. In addition to Avner, a pretty cool customer, it is composed of Robert (Michael York), an explosives expert; Hans (Robert Joy), a forger; Jean (Laurent Malet), a crack driver, and Carl (Peter Dvorsky), a sort of Man Friday.

They are under strict orders not to shed any innocent lives, not a single one, and so they must plan their operations carefully. They kill their first victim with so much ease that it frightens them. If they can get at their enemies so easily, surely the Palestinians can track them down too.

Their fear is not misplaced. Before they know it, they are marked men, struggling to complete their mission without being wiped out themselves. Avner becomes tense and paranoiac, and after their second target is blown to bits, he begins to feel compassion for the victims and their families.

More doubts gnaw at him after Carl is murdered. In a telling exchange with Jean, Avner muses: "What do we accomplish?" "We bought some time," Jean replies, to which Avner retorts: "Maybe."

Clearly, Avner is skeptical. He wants to serve his country as a soldier but not as an "executioner." And when he informs Samuels of his intention to quit, he encounters opposition and learns that the Mossad does not take no for an answer.

What follows is the stuff of human drama. Sword of Gideon, which palpitates with moral dilemmas, ends on a sombre, uncertain note.

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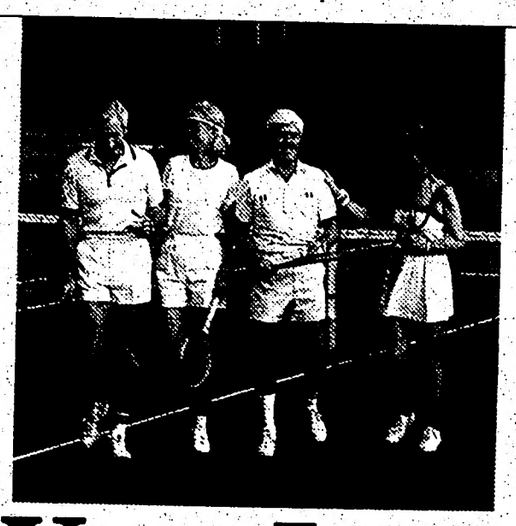

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Editorial

On the right track

Premier Howard Pawley of Manitoba is on the right track with his proposed legislation to outlaw violations of the Human Rights Code demanded by Saudi Arabian companies doing business in the province.

It seems that a government-owned telecommunications firm operating in Saudi Arabia was complying with Saudi restrictions against the employment of women and Jews in the work force.

Last summer when this information was first revealed by the media in Winnipeg, members of the Jewish community there began a series of demarches with the Pawley government to make known the opposition of the Jewish community council to the discriminatory hiring practices.

Since those demarches there have been several meetings with government representatives; at the end of October the Manitoba government announced that it was going to introduce legislation next February modeled on statutes in Ontario which would make it illegal for Manitoba companies doing business outside the province to discriminate in hiring on the basis of sex, religion or other categories listed in the Human Rights Act.

What is especially notable in the Manitoba situation is that the government has officially requested members of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council "to be available to consult and advise on the actual drafting of the legislation when it is introduced and give assistance in having the legislation passed."

An official of MTX, the Manitoba telecommunications firm involved in the current controversy, has said that the whole question of the company's involvement in Saudi Arabia will be resolved even before the legislation is introduced.

The company is currently doing an audit and if it is found that the firm cannot operate profitably under the proposed legislation, MTX will get out of that country.

The good news is that Manitoba has acted forthrightly to bar discrimination against women and Jews in contracts with Saudi Arabia.

The bad news is that it required the threat of legislation to obtain fair employment practices in a Canadian company.

Innovative project

We salute the National Center for Media in Adult Jewish Studies, a New York City based agency which has begun an innovative project to disseminate Jewish learning.

"Judaic Studies Through Video" is the name of the project and it features internationally recognized scholars lecturing on various aspects of Jewish history, Bible and thought.

The cassettes that are being produced for the National Center (NCM) are designed both for private use and for institutional settings. The tapes are accompanied by study guides and other materials which are integrated into the educational package.

The organizers of Judaism through video have aimed very high in assembling the roster of scholars it has chosen to participate in the preparation of the televised materials.

People of the calibre of Dr. David Hartman, Prof. Nehama Leibowitz and Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz are but a few of the distinguished rabbis and academics involved in the program.

It is the intention of the NCM to produce videos on a wide range of Jewish themes. These will include studies of Jewish history, the Sephardic tradition, the Jewish legal system, and, of course, Biblical studies.

An unusual feature of the series to be prepared by Prof. Monty Penkower is a number of debates featuring well known scholars. They will discuss contemporary Jewish issues from diverse viewpoints.

The National Center wants also to use the tape-recorded material as a repository of information for future generations. Accordingly, there will also be recordings of memorable academic and historic events — these videos to be made available to people all over the world.

Although the first videos are being produced in English long range plans see the development of educational materials in Spanish, Hebrew and French.

A fine idea whose time has come!

Assad regime feels free to use terrorism

Syria put into bitter isolation

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Syria, the so-called "beating heart" of Arab nationalism, is pursuing an increasingly aggressive foreign policy that is putting it on a collision course with Israel, the West and much of the Arab world.

Syria, under the canny leadership of Hafez Assad, has become Israel's most dangerous, persistent foe and a real power centre in the Middle East. But for all its gains, Syria has never been so isolated.

Assad, the longest-serving ruler in Syria's modern history, has built a formidable military machine that may one day be able to confront Israel. In his quest to achieve strategic parity with Israel, whom he describes as Syria's "historical enemy," Assad has forged close ties with his chief arms supplier, the Soviet Union, and become Moscow's strongest client state in the region.

Traditionally at odds with powerful rivals like Egypt and Iraq, Syria has maneuvered its way into a position of strength by taking advantage of the political and military upheavals that have convulsed the Middle East for the past decade or so.

The Syrians, who have always proudly regarded themselves as the guardians of Arab nationalism, have used Lebanon's chronic troubles, Egypt's historic peace treaty with Israel and Iraq's debilitating war with Iran to carve out a special niche for themselves in the fragmented Arab world.

Regarded with a mixture of respect, fear and contempt in Arab capitals, Syria is probably the most influential state between the Atlantic Ocean and the Persian Gulf. On the other hand, the disagreements it has or has had with states like Egypt, Jordan and Iraq, combined with its obvious regional ambitions, has thrown it (and its ally Libya) into bitter isolation.

For all that, Syria remains a key player in the politics of the Middle East: It plays a pivotal role in Lebanon. It manipulates the Palestinians. It helps prolong the Gulf War by transferring arms to Iran. It stands in the way of an Arab-Israeli peace settlement, threatening King Hussein of Jordan and moderate Palestinian leaders with retribution if they negotiate with Israel.

Syria uses its considerable clout openly and clandestinely.

The Syrians took the lead in banishing Egypt from the Arab League. They scuttled Israel's U.S.-sponsored troop withdrawal agreement with Lebanon. And they encouraged Palestinian radicals to challenge Yasser Arafat's hegemony.

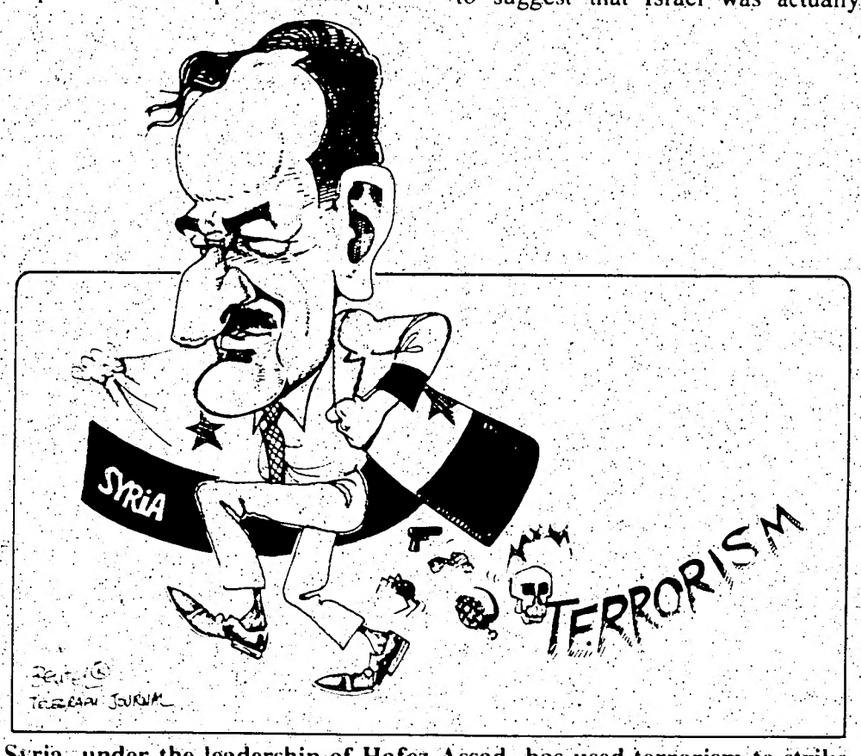
Behind the scenes, Syria apparently exercises still more influence. Through their proxies in Lebanon, the Syrians got rid of Arab officials like Druse leader Kamal Jumblat and Bashir Gemeyal, the pro-Israeli Lebanese president-elect. They were implicated in the destruction of U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut and in the bombing of the American embassy there. They encouraged and aided Lebanese and Palestinian guerrillas to drive Israel out of much of southern Lebanon. Palestinian gunmen loyal to Assad reportedly assassinated PLO representatives in Europe aligned with Arafat. And before Syria's rapprochement with Jordan in 1985, Syrian-hired gunmen murdered a number of Jordanian diplomats in Europe and Asia.

have resulted in a fullscale war with Israel, something it wants to avoid at this time.

In this particular case, the Syrians gambled that their role in the plot would never be uncovered. They fully expected the plane to blow up in midair. They did not think that Hindawi would be caught redhanded.

Under questioning, the mercenary Hindawi blew the whistle on the Syrians. He implicated the Syrian ambassador, as well as the second in command of Syrian Air Force intelligence, Lieut. Col. Haitem Said, in the conspiracy. And since Said takes his orders from Brig. Gen. Mohammed Kholi, Hafez Assad's close associate, there was reason to believe that the highest authorities in Syria planned it.

In an interview with Time Magazine, Assad dismissed the accusation as "merely an allegation," and went on to suggest that Israel was actually



Syria, under the leadership of Hafez Assad, has used terrorism to strike at Israel and the U.S.

Clearly, the Assad regime feels free to use terrorism as a means by which to intimidate or kill its opponents. And in a very real sense, terrorism is the modus operandi of Syrian foreign policy, although the Syrians deny this vehemently.

behind "such acts because (the Israelis) benefit from them."

The charge may be patently absurd, but it underscores Assad's view of the Jewish state.

Assad is convinced that Israel is an expansionist state bent on "occupying the land of others." In a speech last February, he said that Zionism seeks to (displace) people from their homes "in a very ancient mission."

Since Anwar Sadat broke ranks with his fellow Arab leaders and journeyed to Jerusalem, Assad has been railing against the treachery of separate Arab agreements with Israel.

Talcott Seelye, the former U.S. envoy to Syria, says that Assad is of the opinion that negotiations with Israel would be fruitless under present circumstances, especially since Egypt has been removed from the Arab political-military equation.

According to Seelye, Assad believes that no Arab leverage now exists to induce Israel either to withdraw from the Golan Heights or to settle the Palestinian question.

In Assad's view, Syria can only extract concessions from Israel from a position of strength. And so he continues to build up his armed forces.

Strictly speaking, Syria is not against peace negotiations (though some observers have trouble believing Syria can really come to terms with a Jewish state.)

Two months ago, Assad told American special envoy Richard Murphy that Syria was prepared for an international Middle East peace conference with the Soviet Union and the PLO as participants. Assad contends that direct talks between Israel and individual Arab states would weaken the Arabs and enable Israel to impose a settlement.

Given Assad's beliefs, and Israel's desire to retain the Golan Heights, it is highly unlikely that Israel and Syria will sit down and negotiate directly.

Syria and Israel seem destined to settle their differences through war. And Syria's botched plan to blow up an El Al plane brings that reality ominously closer to fruition.

EEC members impose series of sanctions

The recent trial in London of Nezar Hindawi, a 32-year-old Jordanian who was convicted of trying to blow up an El Al plane last April, underlines the lengths to which Syria will go to strike at its enemies.

The evidence that Syria organized the gruesome plot was so convincing that Britain severed diplomatic relations with Damascus, while Canada, the U.S. and Belgium recalled their ambassadors. Last week, 11 of 12 European Economic Community members imposed a series of sanctions against Syria.

In all probability, the Syrians concocted the plot in retaliation for last February's Israeli interception of a Libyan plane carrying the assistant general-secretary of the ruling Syrian Baath Party. Israel intercepted the aircraft in the mistaken belief that an important Palestinian leader was aboard. When the Israelis realized they had erred, they released the plane and all its passengers.

But the Syrians were not appeased, and they promised to get even with Israel. Despite their harsh rhetoric, few observers expected the Syrians to act so irresponsibly. For all its verbal bluster, Syria usually behaves cautiously and weighs its options with care. Syria knew that the successful downing of an Israeli civilian airliner could

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Cites community's record of opposing apartheid

S. African Jewish leader asks for understanding

(Editor's note: Harry Schwarz is chairman of the international relations committee of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies and a member of the South African parliament. In a letter sent to the editor of The Canadian Jewish News, he takes issue with statements made in a panel discussion in Toronto earlier this year in which South African Jewry and its institutions were criticized.)

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By
HARRY SCHWARZ

I have had the opportunity of reading a report in the issue of your paper dated April 17, on a panel discussion at the Holy Blossom Temple on South Africa, and in particular what are stated to be "*the most startling comments . . .*" from a former director of the Zionist Federation of South Africa (Walter Hess, currently executive director of the United Israel Appeal of Canada).

One regards as complimentary and welcome his recognition that South African Jewry "is one of the strongest and finest in the Diaspora" "and intensely loyal to Israel."

Your report says "He then went on to severely criticize the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, the chief communal organization in the country for its lack of leadership and its refusal until recently to take a clear moral stance in the current struggle the country faces over apartheid."

I think it is only fair to put the other side of the picture; let me first state my credentials. I have only served on the executive of the Jewish Board of Deputies since the middle of 1985. I however, participated in Jewish communal life long before that. I have, however, participated actively in politics in South Africa for many years.

I opposed the laws which are now being repealed when they were enacted. My opposition to apartheid goes back to the days when it was not so popular abroad to condemn apartheid as it is now.

Also I believe I can speak as a South African, as a Jew, and as an opponent of apartheid with some knowledge and credibility on the attitude and action of individual Jews and the Jewish Board of Deputies towards apartheid.

I think it is beyond argument that ever since the National Party came into power, Jews as individuals have overwhelmingly voted against the candidates of that party. One needs only look at the areas where the Jewish vote is concentrated to see for whom they vote.

Individual Jews have actively opposed apartheid, not only since 1948, but long before this. The list of names in politics, trade unions and other organizations is lengthy and speaks for itself.

The records of the Jewish Board of Deputies show that while there were in the past differences on approach, the principle which was adhered to throughout was that discrimination is not a concept which accords with Jewish values.

Resolutions urging Jews to promote anti-discriminatory concepts and Jewish value standards calling for solutions based on justice and dignity of the individual were passed at the board's congresses in 1963, 1965, 1967, 1970 and 1972.

In 1974 the issue was taken further when the chairman of the board's public relations committee called upon the community to "restore the moral values of compassion and justice and so help reactivate the conscience of mankind."

The board resolved to call on the community to "share in the great challenge and opportunity involved in establishing a just, stable and peaceful relationship beween all races and groups in South Africa."

In 1976 the board's vice-chairman confronted Prime Minister Vorster at a banquet, saying, that "attitudes and practices, the heritage of the past bearing upon the relations between our various racial groups are no longer acceptable . . . We must move away as quickly and effectively as it is practicable from discrimination based on race or color . . ."

Remember, that was 10 years ago. Times were different then. It took some courage to face Mr. Vorster with these and other statements.

The same year, the board again passed a resolution calling for change to an equitable society and for all Jews to work for the elimination of unjust discrimination based on race, creed or color.

In 1977, the then chairman called upon the community to continue by word and deed to put into effect change to create an equitable and acceptable society.

The 1980 congress of the board called for more significant social, economic and political change to avoid violence and bloodshed and polarization and instead create a united and just society. The liberal, now defunct, Rand Daily Mail newspaper hailed this as a "unique voice which had special significance and demanded special attention."

So resolution after resolution was passed, eviction of squatters was condemned, so was detention without trial, the board's objection to quotas for Blacks at universities was publicly stated.

There have been statements on freehold property for all, on the infamous Section 16 of the Immorality Act and the Mixed Marriages Act.

The list can go on. The board has made its position on discrimination and apartheid clear. I do not list all the work done in communication, trying to build bridges, and trying to help where help is wanted and needed.

It is not a perfect record — no organization can lay claim to such qualities, nor can any individual — but all in all, I think the criticism should be reassessed in the light of actual facts.

The statement that "there is no system of local or regional say in policy-making for the community at large" is not understsood.

It is in conflict with the facts. The board has executive committees regionally elected on the Witwatersrand, Pretoria, Western Cape and Orange Free State. These organizations act and control their own local offices. They all have representation on the national executive, where policy for the whole country is made.

To say, as is reported, "There is no indigenous organizational structure in the local community 'is a major, major (repeated) weakness,'" I find puzzling, to say the least.

A statement made by another person participating (Thea Abramson, president of the South African Jewish Association of Canada) as to the choice facing increasing numbers of families being painfully obvious: "Choose life with one's children overseas, or a life of ease and comfort in the country of one's birth, but which comes at a high moral price," is one I would like to debate.

Firstly, in our community there are many who do not have a "life of ease and comfort." There are many who have serious economic troubles, many have to receive help. Certainly there are many who are well off but there are many who have anything but a life of ease and comfort.

The statement that the life of ease and comfort comes at a "high moral price." What is the high moral price if one actively opposes apartheid, actively campaigns for change in South Africa?

Staying or leaving South Africa is a personal choice, but is it fair to say of those of us who have for decades opposed apartheid and sought to uphold human rights, have paid a high moral price?

Even the South African synagogue came in for criticism. It was said (by Prof. Elaine Newton of York University) that there was "too little social and community support being done by the country's synagogues" and there was "a lack of strong rabbinical leadership in the country.

"There is hardly any social, cultural or educational programming of the kind which most Canadian Jews take for granted . . ."

Well, if Canadian Jews have better social, cultural and educational institutions than we have I am very pleased, but then they must be pretty good.

The lady who made the statement about half a year in Cape Town, which institution did she visit? Sea Point Congregation with its regular programs in the very fields she mentioned? The Herzlia Schools?

We have only 120,000 souls in our community, but 15,000 children received Jewish education at nursery schools, Talmud Torah and Jewish day schools. We have day schools in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Sandton, Benoi, Port Elizabeth, Durham and Cape Town. We have a network of Jewish organizations which cater for our aged, our handicapped, we have synagogues, welfare bodies.

Our people render community service not only to our own people, but also to other people irrespective of race, color or creed. We have an active Zionist organization, and per capita need take second place to no one in our contribution to Israel.

It sounds as if I am proud of my fellow Jews. Yes, you are right, I am.

There is a dispute in some sections about the nature of rabbinical leadership. Some believe rabbis should attend to their communities and attend to their spiritual needs. Others believe that they should also speak out on national issues. We have those who do both and some who do not. I think that our rabbis can stand on the same level as those elsewhere in the Diaspora.

That when South Africa is in the limelight Jews in Canada should discuss Jews in South Africa is not only understandable but welcome. It shows they have not only interest but perhaps also concern, and one is appreciative of this.

But I hope you can see us as we really are — as it is said, warts and all! We do not pretend or claim that we are better than Jews anywhere else in the world, but I doubt if we are very much worse.

When a community is under stress and lives in difficult times and circumstances, it often brings out the best in it. I hope it will do so in our case and I also hope that in this we will have the understanding and support of Jews in Canada, including those Jews who were once part of our community.

Everyday life in Israel fascinates

Job opportunities for Cohens, Levis

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

The fascinating face of Israel at home, beyond the politics and the headlines — the human side of Israel, as reflected in the little tales of everyday life:

Employment opportunities: An office has been opened in Jerusalem for registration of Cohens and Levis. Considering that the Messiah is expected soon and the Temple will be rebuilt, there will be need for trained personnel to perform the traditional functions of the Temple, and bona fide Cohens and Levis are called upon to sign up.

No claimants: The periodic sale of unclaimed lost articles, held by the Tel Aviv police department put up for auction, among other items, a pair of wooden human legs, a homeless donkey and a student identification card dated 1937.

A nosey tour: Thanks were expressed in the public press to the Egged bus company which conducted a "sightseeing" tour for blind people — to the fragrant Rothschild gardens in Zichron Yaakov when the blossoms were at their aromatic best.

The resting place: Kibbutz Gaash, near Herzlia, accepts for burial in its cemetery deceased persons who may have made some contribution to the Zionist cause, but are not accepted as bona fide Jews by the rabbinate, and hence not eligible for burial in the regular cemeteries. Provision is also made for burial of Jews who want to lie alongside their non-Jewish spouses.

Wants her money back: A 31-year-old single girl from Tel Aviv saved up to go on a week-long singles cruise, only to find that the passengers comprised families with lots of children, forty single girls, and one available male.

Jerusalem DC: Christian friends of Israel are urging that the centrality of Jerusalem in Jewish life and history should be constantly emphasized by referring to the city as David's Capital, or in short, Jerusalem, DC.

The Prime Minister's mail: Victor Shabbat advertises in the press (with his picture) that he has an invention which can save the lives of millions who are afflicted with asthma, bronchitis and shortness of breath. "I shall reveal the secret only to the Israel Prime Minister, and hereby request a reply and a private meeting with him." The secret is not for sale, he adds.

Demographic solution: For those who worry about population growth, the Central Bureau of Statistics reports that Jewish women settled in the West Bank have a birth rate of 42 per thousand, as compared to 36 per thousand for Moslem women there.

A useful strike: About a dozen officials in the ministry of commerce and industry went on strike for some reason or other. During their absence it was observed that the functions they had performed were unnecessary, and the posts were dispensed with.

Sounds familiar: The clash between religious zealots and secularists took an ugly turn during a physical brawl, and 15 from both sides were arrested for rioting. The confrontation took place in the Moslem town of Kafr Kassem, and all the participants were townspeople.

A life term: Yihia Ben Avraham has been in an Israel prison for 26 years because he refuses to grant a divorce to his wife, as ordered by the rabbinate. Yihia claims he still loves his wife, and will never sign the divorce papers.

The mormon menace: Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek claims that during the 17 years that the Mormons have been operating in his city, three Arabs and one Jew converted to the Mormon faith, as against 21 Mormons who became Jews.

Awaiting later statistics: In the month prior to the election of Austria's new president, tourism from Austria to Israel declined by 26%, whereas Israeli visits to Austria increased by 6%.

The world's oldest profession: Lexicographer Reuven Sivan seeks to correct a popular misapprehension. He notes that according to the book of Genesis, Adam "gave names to all cattle and to the fowl of the air and to every beast of the field." Hence, the world's oldest profession is linguistics.

PEACE PRAYERS

Chief Rabbi Elio Toaff of Rome greets Pope John Paul II during recent World Day of Prayer for Peace attended by 200 representatives of 12 major faith groups. [Religious News Service photo]

Opinion

Last gasp of gunboat diplomacy

Traumatic Sinai War produces winners and losers

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Thirty years ago this month, an international crisis of the first magnitude shook the Middle East, sending shock waves throughout the world. The Sinai war, which coincided with the short-lived Hungarian uprising, was a landmark event. It caused unprecedented strains in the Western alliance, signaled the beginning of the end of French and British colonialism in the region, strengthened the prestige of Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser, and tarnished Israel's reputation.

France initiated the war as a joint venture with Britain and Israel. But the U.S., though vehemently opposed to it, was not blameless for its outbreak.

The war grew out of British, French and Israeli grievances, and began to take shape in the summer of 1956.

It assumed the character of inevitability when Nasser, the new Egyptian leader, antagonized France and Britain by nationalizing the Suez Canal Company. Most of the shares in the canal, completed in 1869 to link the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, were owned by the British government and French investors. Nasser nationalized it to finance the construction of the Aswan High Dam in southern Egypt. Canal tolls brought in hundreds of millions of dollars annually.

Egypt had intended to finance the building of the dam with a $200 million World Bank loan guaranteed by the U.S. and Britain. Washington backed out of the deal after Egypt recognized China. In response, Nasser nationalized the canal.

Britain was furious, and so was France. Anthony Eden, the British prime minister, now loathed Nasser more than ever. Eden, who thought Nasser was a dangerous upstart, referred to him as the "Hitler of the Nile." The French, for their part, resented Nasser for supporting Moslem rebels in Algeria seeking independence from France. Each regarded the Middle East with more than a measure of proprietory interest. Both nations, during the so-called "scramble for Africa" in the 19th century and in the years immediately following World War I, had established colonial beachheads throughout North Africa and the Fertile Crescent. By the 1956, French and British influence in the Middle East, though clearly on the wane, was still considerable.

There was no love lost between Israel and Egypt. Nasser, a fiery pan-Arabist, had not accepted Israel's legitimacy as a sovereign Jewish state, and secret Israeli-Egyptian talks designed to resolve the Arab-Israeli dispute had netted no results.

On a controlled basis, Nasser permitted Palestinian guerrillas from bases in the Gaza Strip to attack Israeli settlements. Casualties grew. Israel struck back with increasing might and tension mounted.

In 1955, Egypt signed a huge arms deal with Czechoslovakia, precipitating alarm in Israel that the balance of power would be tipped in Egypt's favor.

Israel was further alarmed when Egypt fortified the Straits of Tiran and therefore blocked its Red Sea route to Eilat.

By early August of 1956, France and Britain were planning Operation Muskateer — the invasion of Egypt. Around the same time, the French

Anthony Eden

defence minister, Maurice Bourges-Maunoury, asked Shimon Peres, the director-general of Israel's defence ministry, whether Israel would be prepared to fight alongside France if it attacked Egypt. Peres replied in the affirmative.

It was not by chance that France confided in Israel. The two countries had a common enemy — Arab nationalism in the guise of Nasser. France had started to supply Israel with sophisticated military equipment ranging from fighter-jets to tanks, and had helped it build a nuclear reactor in the Negev.

For at least two reasons, the French wanted to enlist Israel in the war against Nasser: An Israeli ground attack through the Sinai Peninsula would better enable France and Britain to confront Egypt, and would also give them an excuse to invade.

France continued to press the idea on Israel. On the occasion of Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's 70th birthday, Bourges-Maunoury sent the old man a handwritten greeting, using the opportunity to hint at France's desire to "do something" with Israel to cut down Nasser to size. Late in September, after a series of meetings between Israel and France, Ben-Gurion agreed in principle to participate, but demanded — and received — additional arms from France.

Inevitably, Washington got wind of the machinations. President Dwight Eisenhower, not being amused, dispatched a curt note to Eden warning him not to resort to force to solve the simmering crisis.

Eden, who took the message to heart, had not been privy to France's top-secret discussions with Israel. And when he heard that they had taken place, he was shocked. Eden feared that Britain's position in the Middle East would be badly compromised if Israel was a party to the invasion.

At first glance, the notion that Israel and Britain would cooperate in a military venture against an Arab state seemed absurd. Anglo-Israeli relations had been less than satisfactory in the years leading up to 1956. And, in the late summmer and early autumn of that eventful year, Britain had even threatened to act against Israel if it attacked Jordan in force.

Palestinian guerrillas were using Jordanian territory as a base from which to raid Israel, and the Israeli army was hitting back so ferociously that Britain threatened to invoke its defence treaty with Jordan.

Despite this very real irritant, Britain was not prepared to forgo the chance to punish Nasser, even if meant cooperation with Israel. On Oct. 16, Britain and France signed an agreement calling for Israeli participation.

Less than one week later, an Israeli delegation flew to France to finalize the details. Moshe Dayan, the chief of staff, accompanied Ben-Gurion and Peres to a villa in Sevres, near Paris, where the crucial talks were held.

Selwyn Lloyd, the British foreign minister, and Patrick Dean, a senior official of the Foreign Office, joined the French and Israelis in Sevres.

Converging interests bound Israel, France and Britain together, but there was some divergence as well. The European powers wanted Nasser's head, but Israel was more interested in ending the blockade of the Straits of Tiran, clearing the Gaza Strip of guerrillas and inflicting a heavy blow on the Egyptian Army.

At Sevres, an elaborate plan of collusion was worked out. Israel would carry out a limited offensive toward the canal and France and Britain would intervene to "safeguard" it. Britain and France would present an ultimatum to Israel and Egypt to cease fighting. Israel would accept the ceasefire but would not halt its advance until it got within 10 miles of the canal. Egypt would reject the ceasefire (or so it was hoped), and France and Britain would attack Egyptian airfields.

To assuage Ben-Gurion's fears, France agreed to provide air cover for Israeli cities and guard its coastline during Israel's offensive into Sinai.

An important question arises: Would Israel have gone to war without France and Britain? Dayan, in his memoirs, *Story of My life*, wrote: "Had it not been for the Anglo-French operation, it is doubtful whether Israel would have launched its campaign."

Throughout the months leading up to the war, Israel kept its plans secret. Ben-Gurion did not tell his cabinet about the imminent war until Oct. 27, and in public, he downplayed the possibility. Indeed, to deflect attention away from the Egyptian front, Israel emphasized the threat emanating from Jordan.

Israel went to war on Oct. 29. The Sinai Campaign, as it would be known in Israel, lasted for about one week. The Israelis displayed impressive military skills as they captured key positions in the Sinai and seized the Gaza Strip. Israeli losses were 171 dead and several hundred wounded. Egyptian casualties were far, far higher. Israel took 6,000 prisoners.

The other phase of the war also went as planned. On Oct. 31, flying from airfields in Malta

Moshe Dayan

and in Cyprus, British and French aircraft bombed Egyptian bases. On Nov. 6, Allied ships bombarded Port Said after their paratroopers landed near that city.

The backlash was immediate. Thunderstruck by developments, and feeling he had been "double crossed" by his NATO partners, Eisenhower dispatched angry letters to France and Britain. The Soviet Union, busy mopping up the last of the resistance in Budapest, issued ominous threats.

Israel, dependent on American goodwill and assistance, was severely reprimanded by Eisenhower, who demanded a full Israeli withdrawal from Sinai. In a letter, Nikolai Bulganin, the Soviet premier, accused Israel of "criminal acts and of acting as an instrument of external imperialist forces," and threatened armed intervention.

"This brutal letter, together with (Eisenhower's note), created something close to panic in Israel," Abba Eban writes in his 1977 autobiography.

The climate at the United Nations was also telling. Taking Egypt's side, the General Assembly voted for an immediate ceasefire. It then adopted a suggestion by Canada's external affairs minister, Lester B. Pearson, that a peacekeeping force be established in Sinai and Gaza. For his efforts, Pearson won the Nobel Prize for peace.

By Dec. 22, the last British and French soldiers had left Egypt.

Israel, however, was slower to leave. Ben-Gurion announced that Israel would withdraw but remain in Sharm-el- Sheikh and in the Gaza Strip. Under unrelenting international pressure, Israel agreed to complete a total pullback on the understanding that the principle of free navigation would prevail in the Gulf of Aqaba and the Strait of Tiran and that a United Nations force was stationed on Egypt's side of the border.

By the winter of 1957, Sinai and Gaza were again in Egyptian hands.

The Sinai war produced winners and losers. Anthony Eden was forced to resign, a victim of the last gasp of gunboat diplomacy, and his chief nemesis, Nasser, emerged as a stronger and more popular figure, both in Egypt and abroad.

The vestiges of Britain's and France's colonial empire in the Middle East withered away. Britain lost much of its influence in Jordan and in Iraq, and Algeria gained its independence.

For 10 years, until the Six Day War, the Egyptian frontier was quiet and Israeli ships sailed up and down the Gulf of Aqaba without interference.

As a result of its strictly military successes, Israel became a more powerful and confident nation in the wake of the Sinai war. But its image had been blackened. Writing a decade before Israel's 1982 invasion of Lebanon, Abba Eban noted in his autobiography: "The Sinai Campaign was politically the most unplanned war in history... We appeared before the whole world as tools of imperialists..."

— It is a charge Israel is still trying to live down.

Was it worth my breakfast?

Tale of the tipplers' toe troubles

By
ELAINE KAHN

RCMP Cpl. Dick Stevenson of Dawson City had his toe stolen on Rosh Hashanah. He offered $100 for a replacement, because this was no ordinary toe — it was the star ingredient of his famous Sourtoe Cocktail, invented in 1973 when he and two buddies, off duty one assumes, found a pickled toe in an abandoned cabin and dropped it into their drinks.

This toe became an instant hit in the local hotel, before being inadvertently swallowed six years ago by a miner. Its replacement was, as I mentioned, stolen. Those of you planning Grey Cup parties please note that, unlike olives, which require martinis, the toe can be used with any drink — the secret is that the drinker must let it touch his or her lips while imbibing.

Oh sure, there were lots of other things I could have written about today, but I've been obsessed by Dick's toetail since reading about it at breakfast. Who pickled it, with what and why? Was it hairy? Was it clean? Was it worth my breakfast?

It has been years since I have let myself watch TV news while eating, because the combination induces nausea — now it seems the paper must go too. I've saved clippings about chocolate-covered potato chips and about one California woman's enterprising venture into Chicken in a Casket. I've argued long into the night about how to tell when blue cheese is mouldy and what Mexicans do with the worm when the tequila is gone. None of this holds a nail paring to Dick and his pickled toe.

The article did not say how he got a second toe and whether either was human, though that was implied. So, in order to claim the $100, someone is going to have to mutilate a cadaver or themselves, unless there is a Jewish family out there that has kept, as an heriloom, the toe Grandpa cut off in 1904 to get out of serving the czar. Or perhaps in Dawson City it is now an option on driver's licences to leave your body and organs to science or to the local tavern, depending on just how well preserved you want to be.

I try to picture the kind of people who would drink a Sourtoe Cocktail and all that comes to me is the bar scene in Star Wars. And, from some festering corner of my mind, "The Cremation of Sam McGee" and the man who toil for gold.

Next year I will ask God to forgive me for ever complaining that Canada's only culinary achievements were tourtiere and butter tarts. Meanwhile, I can merely pray that no one ever sends Dick a copy of Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes.

Opinion

Uncle Eliezer appeals:

"Please fight vulgarities of nouveau riche . . ."

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Yes, my dear friends, it is an unpleasant fact of life that most people want to become rich. It is also an undeniable fact of life that Jews, though privileged members of the "Chosen People," are not immune from this trait, despite the passionate urging of the Prophets and later spiritual leaders to avoid that evil pathway. All this is, as you might say, old hat. But:

J. B. Salsberg

As in many other matters of universal concern there is (or we think that there is) a specific Jewish aspect to this universal malady. In other words — is it good for Jews as a community when individual Jews do what all others do; namely, strive to become rich, and, having become rich, to accelerate their drive to become super-rich?

But an even more difficult question is whether a Jew who has, as they say, "Struck it rich" should or should not be publicly criticized and even lampooned for displaying all the chutzpah and all the vulgarities that are characteristic of, what the French call contemptuously, the "nouveau riche?"

—Now, my friendly readers, don't think that I, your most objective scribe, am, as they say in Yiddish, climbing a wall, about something that is not important. It is important, **very** important to many thoughtful Jews. Example?

My good uncle Eliezer and his famous Thursday night shvitz buddies. At one of their recent sanhedrin sessions, after the steam and the usual lechayim and repast, my uncle's closest pal, Mendle, raised this and related questions for discussion. And, as usual when they agree that "something must be done about it" they ask for a meeting with me, confident that I, after being alerted by them, will "do something," namely write a column or two about it.

Well, after many glasses of tea and lemon in my home, it was agreed that I condense the essence of our discussion and present it to, what they call, the public. Here it is.

It was my contention that regardless of our personal views of the ethics and morals of the chase after wealth, riches and superriches, we cannot prohibit Jews from doing what is legally done by all non-Jews. But we can and, indeed, should express our concern, our disapproval of behavior and practices that are obnoxious and revolting, even if all the non-Jews of the given class are also doing it. In such cases we should state clearly that Jews should not and must not be guilty of such behavior.

Insofar as the half-dozen or so Jewish families that have gained the notoriety of being among the super-rich, there seems little that we can do about it. Like the non-Jews in their category they seem unable to stop. But the fresh-baked batch of "climbers" do need to be admonished to be a bit more modest, more reserved and, for heaven's sake, avoid the exhibitionism and the vulgarity of the stereotyped newly-rich. That sort of behavior is, or should be acknowledged to be not in the mold of Jewish ethics and morals, as they were proclaimed and repeated through the ages.

It seems that a recent series of articles in The Globe and Mail sparked the recent discussion in the shvitz. The G and M series dealt with the uncomplimentary way of life of the super-rich; with the miserable way of life of the poor and with the impoverished, struggling and pathetic condition of the country's cultural, educational and artistic sectors. (The New Democratic Party publications could not have done a better job. . . .)

The Globe and Mail interviewed people in each of those areas of our national life. In its interviews with people who moved into a new, super-luxury condominium building it reported of one new owner (name given) who boasted that he paid about a million dollars for his hovel but he is now having it completely stripped (though brand new), redone at a cost of another million. Gevalt!

But, thank heaven this one was not a Jew!

A couple of Jews among the new owners couldn't resist the opportunity to boast of how much they paid for their living space. Then, to my great relief, there were a few other Jewish condominium owners in that super-luxury building who refused to be interviewed. (The "refuseniks" were also mentioned by name in the Globe story.)

All this has upset my uncle Eliezer and his upright friends. And they believe that there should be an outcry against such manner of non-Jewish behavior among Jews.

They want the rabbis and the Jewish press to become present-day spokesmen of the traditional moral preachers, the Musarniks.

Well, I can only speak for myself (and that with a great deal of hesitation) and mainly as the mouthpiece of good and well-meaning people like my uncle Eliezer and his alert group of friends.

But, my beloved readers, don't despair! The world, as they say in Yiddish, isn't coming to an end. We have, thank heaven, a vast reserve of non-wealthy Jews; yes, even of poor Jews. I will, with our good editor's permission, prove it to you next week.

The trouble is that they, our blessed poor, aren't heard from. . . . We shall also deal with that aspect of the problem next week. So, don't despair.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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LAST WORD ON "ACH!" DEBATE

Re Prof. Klaus J. Herrmann's Oct. 30 letter headed "Don't 'Ach!' over these two," in which he accuses me of being a paid professional who has maligned lawyers Alan Borovoy and Edward Greenspan of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association:

I am neither a professional nor a paid worker. I am merely a proud Jew who feels injustices keenly.

The oppression against my people throughout the ages, and particularly the horrors of the Holocaust, have always haunted me. The *"sha shtill"* Jews of yesteryear should now be shouting *"shoin ganig!"*

At long last we have laws against hatemongers. We must no longer tolerate being made the target of every anti-semite's lies, distortions and falsifications.

We must let the world know that "open season" on Jews is closed. No one has the right to humiliate us.

I would like to see men like Alan Borovoy and Ed Greenspan direct their time and energies to defend the rights of the Jews, rather than those of the anti-semites who want to destroy us.

Herrmann calls me "insolent." If it is insolence to cry out against injustices, then I am insolent. Far better to be insolent than complacent.

Rose Ehrenworth
Toronto

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HITS "DOUBLE-TONGUED" PROF.

Re Prof. Klaus J. Herrmann's Oct. 30 letter attacking my sister, Rose Ehrenworth:

He writes that "Canada in the 1980s is not Germany in the late 1920s or early 30s."

So, Prof. Herrmann, why is there no need for such zealous concern for the human rights of Canadians — even those of "one who was convicted in a court of law?"

Speaking out of both sides of the mouth makes opinions very hard to swallow, eh?

Mort Greenberg
Toronto

Editor's note: We herewith call a moratorium on letters relating to Alan Borovoy and Edward Greenspan and their attempt to intervene in the Ernst Zundel appeal case.

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HOSPITAL CLARIFIES FUNDING

Allied Jewish Community Services (AJCS) has recently circulated a brochure about the 1986 Combined Jewish Appeal (CJA).

Among the beneficiaries listed is the Montreal Jewish Hospital of Hope (JHH). This has been an ongoing error for several years. It must now be addressed to correct the continuing misconception in our community that the JHH receives funds annually from the CJA.

The JHH, in its 45 years of existence, has NEVER received any funding whatsoever from the CJA or AJCS, nor its predecessors. The JHH is a constituent member of AJCS but this does not involve any funding.

We clarify this, because, there are many services we render to our patients that are not paid for by the department of social affairs. To mention only a few: doctors on duty around the clock seven days a week, dental services, barbering, hairdressing, clothing.

Our deficit for these services will be $275,000 for the current year, in addition to which we anticipate a deficit of $100,000 from our regular budget. This will make our actual deficit $375,000 for the year.

The funding of this is made possible by donations from our governors, patrons and donors, who contribute directly to our Foundation and our Council of Units. Without these donations we would not be able to render the finest service and care that our patients deserve and receive.

Unfortunately, over the years, we have suffered the loss of contributors, who state that their donation to the JHH is a duplication, in view of the fact that they contribute to the CJA. This is not correct, and on many occasions it has required us to give lengthy explanations.

While the JHH fully endorses the objectives of the CJA and applauds the services they render to our community, we must emphasize that donations to the JHH are not a duplication. They are urgently required, so that the JHH can continue to maintain the high level of services which it renders.

We ask you to continue your direct support of he JHH; and, of course, to the CJA.

Cecil A. Labow
President
Jewish Hospital of Hope
Montreal

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HE DID IT FIRST

Re your Oct. 2 Montreal edition, in which Charles Lazarus stated that the concert at Shaar Hashomayim Congregation is the first time that a "full orchestra" will have performed in the main sanctuary of a local synagogue:

I wish to inform Lazarus that the first such concert took place on March 8, 1963, at Shaare Zion Congregation on Cote St. Luc Rd. under my direction.

I was privileged to have conducted members of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra in a program that included the Canadian premiere performance of several orchestral selections by Israeli and Jewish-American composers.

The orchestra comprised of strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion and harp (considered a "full orchestra"), and was attended by a capacity audience of over 1,200.

Subsequent similar concerts were staged on an annual basis.

Lou Burko
Music director
Shaare Zion Congregation
Montreal

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Reader lauds the "stimulation" of old-fashioned traditional Torah classes. Photo shows youth studying Talmud in Piaseczna, Poland, in 1930.

LAUDS JUDAISM REVIVAL

Professor Sally Zerker's Nov. 6 claim that "ultra-Orthodoxy" in Israel is medieval is incorrect.

It is in fact much *older*. The institution of the *kollel* in which men engage in full-time Torah study dates as far back as Issachar and Zebulen, the two sons of Jacob, one of whom supported the other to study.

So it has been down through Jewish history. We would not have survived as a people without the scholars, from whose ranks have emerged our leaders and great thinkers.

The professor wonders why so many Jews have returned to this way of life.

The answer, however, will not be found by studying them from afar as one might an ancient civilization, but rather by experiencing the stimulation of a Torah class or the beauty of a traditional Shabbes.

Only through experiencing it will we understand why so many have returned to Judaism's roots.

Chaim Weiss
Toronto

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NETANYA INSPIRES HER MUSE

This is referring to your Sept. 18 story under the heading "B'nai B'rith, Scopus Travel Group boost tourism to Israel."

My husband and I toured Israel recently. We made a point of visiting Netanya, which was very enjoyable and a fresh change from North American resorts.

I am herewith enclosing a poem inspired by our sojourn:

Sizzling sun and bouncy breeze
White smooth sand and tropical trees
This is Netanya, a city by a choppy ocean
With embracing breezes merging the motion.

Zelda Scharf
Montreal

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DEBATES JEWS Vs. JESUS

Re your Oct. 23 article by Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg headed "Jesus' Jewishness still a Christian problem":

I agree with most of what Rabbi Rosenberg writes about the Christian rejection of Judaism, rather than the Jewish rejection of Jesus. I disagree, however, with one slant of this thesis.

He says: "It strikes me as prejudiced for many Christians to continue to maintain that the Jews rejected Jesus. It was not Jesus, as such, they refused to follow, but also virtually thousands of their fellow Jews, members of one or another Essene-type sect whose apocalyptic fixation seemed to them excessive, non-rational, and thus unattractive."

Is Dr. Rosenberg so infatuated with the idea that Jesus would worship in a synagogue today instead of a church, that some Christians are really mad at the Jews because they produced Jesus, rather than because they killed him, that he becomes self-conscious about the Jewish rejection of Jesus?

Would he reject Jews for Jesus today? Jews for Jesus do accept Jesus as a Jew.

Why not a more forthright position, such as that of Irving Fineman, in his novel *Hear Ye Sons?*

There, when a Jew is pressed against the wall to answer why he does not accept Jesus, he replied: "If you were told today that Jesus had a son, that God had a grandson, would you believe it?"

Or the briliant summation of Milton Steinberg in *Basic Judaism:* "In the teachings of Jesus, what was true was not new. What was new was not true."

Rabbi Jacob Chinitz
Shear Shalom Synagogue

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KUDOS TO MORRIS

As a theatregoer for more than 50 years, I would like to commend you for using Gerry Morris as your New York drama critic.

Morris is a rare treasure. I have yet to read a clinker by him.

Mark Shawn
Toronto

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WE BLUSH WITH PRIDE

Just a note to say that I find the contents of your newspaper newsworthy, interesting and informative.

You should be proud of your editors and writers.

Irving N. Robinson
Montreal

World-National

Attacker douses Kahane with dye

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Rabbi Meir Kahane, leader of Israel's ultranationalist Kach Party, was doused with red vegetable dye last week as he was speaking at the National Press Club.

Kahane was not hurt and continued speaking, although his face, hair, hands and clothes were covered with the substance which gave the appearance of blood.

"This Arab lives in Washington and this Jew lives in Jerusalem," Kahane commented after the assailant fled the meeting room, only to be caught a few minutes later.

However, the assailant, who was identified by police and club officials as Daniel Brown, 26, of Washington, is reportedly a Jew born in Jerusalem who is a United States citizen. Police arrested Brown, who was charged by Kahane with simple assault.

The incident happened as Kahane was speaking at one of the National Press Club's regular Morning Newsmakers sessions. Kahane was standing at the head of a long table when Brown, sitting a few seats down on the side, leaped up and yelled "This is for the blood you spilled" and doused Kahane as well as two persons sitting to his left. Brown then dashed out a side door where photographers and club security people caught him.

Brown carried press credentials for the Jerualem Press Association, which has an office a few floors below the club in the National Press Building, and reports on articles in the American media for Arab newspapers.

Brown left on his seat a statement from an organization called Jews Against Zionism which ended with the statement, "The blood which we spill here is the blood of his many victims."

Funeral sparks near riot

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The pre-dawn funeral Monday of a 22-year-old yeshiva student in the Old City, sparked a near riot.

Mourners smashed the windshields of Arab-owned cars and slashed tires as the funeral procession moved from the Old City to the Mount of Olives cemetery. One Arab was hurt and police made several arrests.

The victim, Eliahu Ambi, was a student at the Yeshiva Shuvu Banim, a school for penitents run by the Breslav Chassidim. He was attacked Saturday afternoon while walking on Hagai St. near the yeshiva by three men, two carrying knives. He was stabbed in the stomach, he fought back, injuring one of his assailants who was placed under arrest and taken to Hadassah Hospital.

Police said Sunday morning that all three assailants were in custody and have confessed to the crime.

According to acting Police Minister Yigael Hurwitz, they were acting on behalf of George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a Damascus-based terrorist group. Hurwitz, who is filling in for Police Minister Haim Barlev, told the cabinet Sunday that evidence points to the PLFP despite a claim by El Fatah's "Force-17" that it was responsible for the murder.

Police question 4 who met PLO

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Four Israeli leftists who headed a delegation that met in Bucharest with representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization were detained by police for questioning last week to determine if they violated a law barring Israelis from contact with members of terrorist organizations.

The 3-hour interrogation was conducted at the central district police headquarters in Ramla. The four were released and were not summoned for further questioning.

Each of the suspects was questioned separately. One of them, Yael Lotan, told reporters afterward that "he had replies for all the questions asked." She said: "We went to Romania, accompanied by a lawyer, not to violate the law, but in order to convey a message of peace."

Lotan noted that the dialogue was held under the auspices of the Romanian government in a public hall where 29 Israelis sat on one side and the Palestinians on the other.

Israel newspapers quoted police sources as saying that no offense was commited and the prosecution would find it difficult to prove otherwise. But the police said the investigation would continue.

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Israel denies claims

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tions practicing such terrorism).

Reagan denied that the arms were given or sold to the Iranians to free American hostages in Lebanon, of whom six are still in captivity.

Before Reagan went on the air to justify his policy, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said flatly: "Israel does not deal with supplying weapons to Iran."

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres denied any Israeli involvement as well.

But Israel's defence minister, Yitzhak Rabin, seemed to be saying the opposite when he suggested that Israel would not be averse to helping the U.S. gain the release of its hostages, being held by Lebanese extremists.

As he put it: "If a country very friendly to Israel appeals to us with certain requests... to help it free hostages, we will help it, in one way or another."

Meanwhile, Newsweek Magazine claimed that a senior Israeli arms dealer based in New York and London, Yaacov Nimrodi, had been an intermediary in the U.S.-Iranian-Israeli triangle.

Newsweek also said that David Kimche, while he was director-general of the Israeli foreign ministry, had worked out the details with Robert McFarlane, President Reagan's former national security affairs advisor. McFarlane reportedly went to Iran in September to deliver a planeload of arms to the Iranians.

Long before the latest scandal burst into the open, reports suggested that Israel had sold Iran millions of dollars worth of spare parts. Israel had discreet diplomatic, economic and military ties with Iran prior to the 1979 Islamic revolution and the overthrow of the pro-Western monarchy. By contrast, Israel has been in a techical state of war with Iran's bitter enemy, Iraq, since 1948.

Iran's new rulers cut off all relations with Israel and forged still closer ties with the PLO, but Israel reportedly maintained contact with Iranians hostile to the Iranian ruler, Ayatollah Khomeini.

In a related development, Guriel Eisenberg, an Israeli businessman accused of plotting to smuggle U.S. weapons to Iran, is seeking to subpoena Vice-President George Bush and several White House officials to back up his claim that the Reagan administration approved the deal.

Last April, he and 16 others (including an ex-Israeli general) were indicted on charges of conspiracy to resell Iran some $2.5 billion worth of surplus American hardware, part of which was already in Israel.

$12 million winner

NEW YORK (JTA) — **An Israeli woman who immigrated 20 years ago to the United States has won $12 million in the latest New York State lottery.**

Osnat Burdman arrived at the lottery office with her husband and her winning ticket, with the number combination of 18, 21, 24, 36, 45, and 47, to claim her share of the $24 million Lotto jackpot.

Burdman, 55, who is married to Dr. Mortimer Burdman, 69, said she had purchased 60 tickets in a stationery store in Manhasset, NY. She said that she has always played the combination of numbers that won her the great prize, adding the numbers were a mixture of Hebrew letters, her husband's birthday "and a few numbers I threw in at random."

Burdman, who has been working as a salesclerk at her daughter's boutique in Manhasset, lives with her surgeon husband in Albertson, NY. She has two daughters from a previous marriage, while her Brooklyn-born husband has one son. They have been married for 13 years.

The couple said they plan to retire soon, "probably tomorrow," Dr. Brudman said with a smile.

Cardin criticizes coercive tactics

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attitudes toward abortion, the sanctuary movement, and the kind of leadership the Jewish community requires to assure its vitality and viability.

Shoshana Cardin

Cardin also obliquely criticized financially affluent movers and shakers in the community who seek to use their influence to try to sway the Federation movement toward their views as well as the Reform movement, which has indicated that it would have to rethink its financial contributions to Israel unless it was allowed a greater role in religious affairs.

"CJF and Federations must maintain an open forum where all can participate, where all can express themselves without feeling threatened and without threatening others," she said.

"We must be wary of tactics which may be coercive or tactics which may seek to threaten our ability to respond to the needs of Klal Yisrael by withholding money.

"Money should not and cannot be used as an instrument for the pursuit of specific ideological or religious premise primacy in the pursuit of power or to redress grievances. . . . I call upon our co-workers in all the ideological and political movement of Jewish life to remain fervent and passionately committed to their ideologies — to seek to persuade — to seek to engage one another through creative, civil and effective discourse.

"I must, however, be candid. I fear that a significant segment of our people can be alienated as a result of the animosity and hostility that is being generated in our communal framework. Some may even choose a spectator role because of this negativism."

Cardin urged the assembled leaders to "be prepared to take risks and design new approaches — test new ideas and experiment with new modes in the art and science of what the French call 'engage'—in order to build a more just, more open and more equitable larger society."

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For all of his adult life, the name of Joseph Tanenbaum has been synonymous with the highest levels of human caring and philanthropic endeavours.

He has dreamed a world of "Sholom" and of Torah. Like his biblical namesake, he has been not a dreamer of dreams, but the master of his dreams.

Central to his dreams for Toronto, this "Master of Dreams", founded the Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation, provided a temporary synagogue building, supported the Congregation and brought to this community one of its finest spiritual leaders - Rabbi Baruch Taub. Now, the larger dream is becoming a reality - construction has begun.

The synagogue families are responding to the opportunity provided by Mr. Tanenbaum to partake in the mitzvah of building a synagogue and are enthusiastically making their contributions towards both the construction and the maintenance of the Torah Centre. While the two million dollars the congregation wishes to raise is only part of the projected construction costs, the much greater portion of which is being provided by Mr. Tanenbaum, it is a significant contribution to be made by a young and rapidly expanding community, and one that is being made willingly.

This willingness comes not from a desire to see the "walls and roof" of a Shul, but rather from being touched by the example of their benefactor, Joseph Tanenbaum. They have learned from his example that who you are is measured, not by what you have, but by what you give: a lesson learned by many in the day schools, Yeshivas, and other institutions of learning, caring and healing which are supported by, and owe so much to, Joseph Tanenbaum.

This lesson, so well learned, is one that was spread to the entire Toronto community and it is to all of you that we now extend an invitation to share in the celebration of building a synagogue, by helping the "Shul family" raise its share of the costs of construction.

The Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation of Toronto, in conjunction with the friends of Joseph Tanenbaum are hosting a synagogue-sponsored Testimonial Dinner honouring their "President for Life", Joseph Tanenbaum. This will provide an opportunity for the entire community to say "thank you" to a leading builder of Torah in Toronto, and an individual of whom it can be said:

"If not for Joseph Tanenbaum, his belief in G-d, his vision, his dreams, and his commitment, none of us today would have the future that is awaiting us, our children, and our children's children."

The Joseph Tanenbaum Testimonial Dinner
Thursday, December 4, 1986
Toronto Sheraton Centre

Please note: While many of you will already have received invitations, the entire community is invited to attend this event. The minimum subscription is $250.00 per person. As noted in the invitations any contribution of $1,000.00 or more will entitle the donor to be inscribed on a role of honour, to be permanently affixed in the new synagogue centre.

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Thursday, Nov. 20

CJW WORLD AFFAIRS EVENING

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto Section, will feature **Erica Biro**, world affairs specialist; **Sheila Freeman**, president, NCJW of Canada Israel, Family Counseling Association; and **Rabbi Moshe Stern**, spiritual leader of Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue.

The topic, Peace in the Israeli Home will focus on how the Jewish family is coping with the political, social, economic and religious stresses ever present in Israel. Plan to attend this absorbing evening on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7.30 p.m. in Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. Cost is $2.50 per person and refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. For information call 633-5100.

BOOK LAUNCHING

Stewart E. Rosenberg's, new book, The Christian Problem: A Jewish View, will be launched on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 8 p.m. at Beth Torah Congregation, 47 Glenbrook Ave. Community leaders who will participate include **Bruce McLeod**, former moderator, United Church of Canada, **Robert Shuster**, co-chairman League for Human Rights, B'nai B'rith Canada and publisher **Denis Deneau**. For further information call **Moya Mandel** at 782-4495.

U of T ISRAEL DAY

University of Toronto's annual Israel Day celebration is set for Thursday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Sidney Smith Lobby, 100 St. George St. There will be food, music, fashions, tours and travel, dancing, exhibits, crafts and study abroad information.

Saturday, Nov. 22

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

Enjoy a fun-filled Las Vegas Night with Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation, 55 Yeomans Rd., on Saturday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m. Blackjack, over and under seven, wheels of fortune and an auction will be featured. The door prize is a trip for two to Las Vegas arranged by Aufang Travel. Tickets at $5 per person are available by calling 633-5388, 881-4130, 669-6400 or 633-5500. There will be a cash bar.

SHABBAT SERVICE

Kehillat Ahayat Hesed invites you to join in their upcoming Shabbat service, Saturday, Nov. 22 at 9.30 a.m. Services will take place at Toronto Zionist Centre, Haifa Room, 3rd floor, 788 Marlee Ave. (at Lawrence). Kehillat is an egalitarian, conservative congregation. For more information call **Shawn** at 782-1840.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

B'nai B'rith Maccabiah Lodge is hosting a Monte Carlo Night on Saturday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. at Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Ave. (John St. entrance). Included will be bingo, blackjack, wheels, auction, merchandise for sale, food and door prizes. The grand prize is a one week trip for two including airfare and accommodation to Puerto Vallarta. Admission is $8 per person. Net proceeds are in aid of local charities.

Sunday, Nov. 23

BETH SHOLOM BREAKFAST

Sara Samuels, who recently returned from Russia, will be the guest speaker at the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Tallis and Teffilin Breakfast Club meeting on Sunday, Nov. 23. She will speak on Visiting with Refuseniks - Carrying the Message of Hope. Services are at 9.30 a.m., followed by breakfast at 10 and the speaker at 10.30.

STERLING LODGE B'NAI B'RITH

Rabbi Eliezer Rokach, educational director of Or Haemet Sephardic School, will examine the question, Is the Jewish Family Here to Stay? — Intermarriage and Adoption, when he addresses Sterling Lodge B'nai B'rith, at 8.30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, in Earl Bales Community Centre, (Bathurst and Sheppard).

All members of the community are invited. Refreshments will be served.

Program chairman is **Marvin Kochberg.** To inquire further call **Mo Polansky,** 633-8535.

SECULAR JEWISH ASSOCIATION

You are welcome to join members of the Secular Jewish Association Discussion Group at 8.15 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie at Steeles, to hear lawyer **Archie Rabinowitz**, of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre in Toronto, speak on War Criminals in Canada.

For additional information call 223-3081.

BAZAAR SUNDAY

Bring your holiday gift lists to Na'amat Pioneer Women's Bazaar on Sunday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. at the International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd., Mississauga.

Door prize is a 1987 Plymouth Expo car. The auction begins at 11 a.m. and runs all day. Up for bids will be an El Al return flight to Israel, weekend hotel packages, dinner for two, art, furniture, and much more.

Clairvoyant **Barbara Queshel** is featured, and other attractions include a Monte Carlo, kiddies carnival, numerous mini shops, and delicious home-cooked foods.

Admission is $2. Children are admitted free, and seniors may enter free after 3 p.m. Buses will run from Bathurst and Lawrence and Bathurst and Sheppard every half hour. Fare is $1.

There is free parking at the bazaar site.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CINEMA

Willy Wonka at the Chocolate Factory is the next movie to be presented in the Young People's Cinema Series at York Cinema, 101 Eglinton Ave. E. Under the auspices of the Canadian Technion Society, the screening will be Sunday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m.

Tickets, $5 for adults, $2.50, children, are available by calling 789-4545 or at the theatre. There will be loot bags and door prizes.

SCHARANSKY RELEASE LECTURE

Rabbi Ronald Greenwald, who was involved in the release of **Anatoly Scharansky,** will give a public lecture, Behind the Scharansky Deal...From the Man Behind the Deal, at 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 23, in B'nai Torah Synagogue, 465 Patricia Ave.

The lecture is sponsored by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, National Conference of Synagogue Youth and the Adult Education Committee of B'nai Torah Congregation.

BBW COVENANT BREAKFAST

The annual B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto's Covenant Breakfast, honoring **Dorothy Reitman** with the 1986 Woman of the Year Award, is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Chimo Hotel, 7095 Woodbine Ave.

Reitman, recently elected to head Canadian Jewish Congress, is the first female president in the organization's 67-year history. Past recipients of the award include **Judge Rosalie Abella**, author **Margaret Laurence**, ballerina **Karen Kain** and **Chaviva Hosek**, past president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

BONDS AWARENESS SEMINAR

Erol Araf, national marketing director, State of Israel Bonds, was the guest speaker at a Bonds Awareness seminar held recently at Magen David Sephardic Congregation. From left: Rabbi Yehiel Benayon, Prosper Lugassy, Araf, E. Mimram and Larry Waller.

TECHNION PROF WELCOMED

Canadian Technion Society, Ottawa Chapter, welcomed Prof. Samuel Sideman, head of Technion's faculty of biomedical engineering and Dr. Wilbert J. Keon, director of the University of Ottawa Heart Institute to its recent meeting. Future technological liaison between Technion medical and biomedical departments and Ottawa's Heart Institute are being considered. Technion's department of biomedical engineering weds the skills of medicine, biology and engineering in the healing arts. From left are Paul Bregman, committee member, Dr. Keon, Prof. Sideman, Irving Greenberg, Ottawa chapter president, David J. Azrieli, national president, CTS and Ruth Miller, committee member.

Monday, Nov. 24

HOLY BLOSSOM SISTERHOOD

Holy Blossom Sisterhood Business and Professional Women's Group is forming a book club. You are invited to join a discussion on Davita's Harp by **Chaim Potok,** Monday, Nov. 24 at 8 p.m in the board room.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

The 10th anniversary of the Willowdale Group of Overeaters Anonymous will be celebrated at the general meeting on Monday, Nov. 24 at 8 p.m. in Willowdale United Church, 379 Kenneth Ave. The general public is welcome.

A special invitation is extended to old members with whom the group has lost contact.

To inquire further, call 929-5361.

BETH EMETH SISTERHOOD

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood presents Members Night, Monday, Nov. 24 at 8 p.m. in the Fischtein Hall, 100 Elder St., when speaker **Selma Sage** examines Jewish Women of the 19th Century.

Past Sisterhood presidents will be honored. The meeting is hosted by **Mildred Persofsky.**

Cost for guests is $2.

MOTHERS AGAINST GOING CRAZY

Take a break from the kids. Join Mothers Against Going Incredibly Crazy, enjoy stimulating speakers and meet other mothers of young children during Monday Magic at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 9.30-11.30 a.m. Excellent babysitting is provided.

Family counselor **Robbie Schwartz** will talk on Nov. 24.

For more information call 782-8007.

NATURAL HYGIENE SOCIETY

Chiropractor **Philip Martin** will discuss osteoporosis, and nutritional consultant **Max Huberman** will talk on The Irradiation of Food, at a meeting sponsored by The Canadian Natural Hygiene Society, 7.30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 24, in the Toronto Board of Education Building, 155 College St.

For additional details, phone 781-0359.

Tuesday, Nov.25

LIVING JEWISH SPIRIT

The Association for the Living Jewish Spirit will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 8 p.m. in Bathurst Heights Public Library (on Bathurst just north of Lawrence Plaza). The subject to be considered is, Can an Agnostic or an Atheist Still be a Good Jew?

Everyone is welcome.

For more information, call 789-0101.

LOVAS AND KANE IN CONCERT

Everyone is invited to hear opera singer **Rose Lovas** and pianist **Lola Julitta Kane** offer a selection of classical, Hebrew and Yiddish songs, Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 7.30 p.m. in the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Judy Sarick of The Children's Book Store, will be reviewing books at Holy Blossom Temple in the Philip Smith Foyer at 1.30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 25.

Books will be displayed and may be purchased. Shop early for Chanukah.

To reserve babysitting call **Lynda,** 486-8384.

ADULT EDUCATION INSTITUTE

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's Adult Education Institute of Developing Thought with **Rabbi Moshe Stern** continues on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 8 p.m. in the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. Women and the Rabbinate will be considered at that time.

Also on Tuesday mornings at 10, Rabbi Stern conducts a special class for women dealing with topics of current interest.

NOT JUST ANOTHER BOUTIQUE

Elan Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women is sponsoring Not Just Another Boutique Nite, Tuesday, Nov. 25, 7-10 p.m. at B'nai B'rith House, 15 Hove St. (one block west of Bathurst, north off Sheppard).

Various accessories, children's books, clothing, Tupperware and more, will be offered for sale.

Admission is $2 and there will be door prizes.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

ALIYA IN THE 80s

Tehilla, the Union for Religious Aliya, and Yavneh, Toronto, invite you to attend a meeting with guest speaker **Yitzchak Tevet,** head of World Tehillah, who will explain How To Make Aliya in the 80s.

Take advantage of this opportunity to hear about aliya from a man who has spent the last four years helping olim settle in Israel.

The meeting is on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 8:30 p.m. in B'nai Akivah Bayit, 396 Wilson Ave. (at Bathurst).

For further information call **Sara**, 789-3077, evenings.

Thursday, Nov. 27

IDF BRIGADIER-GENERAL

Amira Dotan, first woman brigadier-general of the Israel Defence Forces, will speak on The Evolving Status of Women in the IDF, 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 27, in Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. (just east of Bathurst).

CHAVUROT HAMASORET

Young people ages 18-25, who are interested in an exciting new program of Jewish study, are invited to participate in Chavurot Hamasoret. The group meets every Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. for a Torah study program followed by a guest lecturer at 8.45 p.m. On Nov. 27, the Torah study will be led by **Sholom Eisenstat.** Guest scholar will be **Rabbi Howard Markose,** assistant rabbi at Adath Israel, probing the question, Is There Any Passion in Conservative Judaism?

To inquire further, contact **Jonathan Shiff** in the afternoon at 789-2193.

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And What Else Is New . . .

YIDDISH FOR CHILDREN

Here's an opportunity for youngsters to learn a very special language. Yiddish classes for children ages 8-13 are conducted at the Associated Hebrew School, 252 Finch Ave. W., every Sunday morning. Beginners are at 10-11 a.m., intermediate and advanced, 11-12 a.m.

For more information call **Mr. I. Eisner**, teacher, at 886-3140.

KOFFLER BROWN BAG LUNCH

The Koffler Gallery Brown Bag Lunch series continues on Nov. 20 at 12.30 p.m. in the Loggia Gallery. The program will be The Light of Experience, part of the Civilization Series by **Kenneth Clark**. Admission is free.

VOLUNTEER PIANIST

Musical notes will flow at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care when they find **you** to play Jewish festival songs on the piano. The group meets Mondays, 1-2 p.m. Say it with music, and volunteer by calling 789-5131, ext. 2575.

HADASSAH BAZAAR REPORT

The membership of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO is invited to hear the Annual Bazaar Report on Monday, Dec. 1 at 7.30 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Guest speaker, **Evelyn Sommer**, WIZO representative at the United Nations and editor of the Jadla and Eresnews news services for Latin America will speak on A Glimpse Behind the Scenes at the United Nations. Admission is $7 and there will be a light sandwich supper.

SLEEPING BEAUTY

A production of Sleeping Beauty, sponsored by the Associates Group of the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, will be presented at the Limelight Dinner Theatre, Sunday, Dec. 7 at 11 a.m. Tickets are $10 each, with proceeds in support of the pediatrics department at Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem.

Refreshments will be served and loot bags given to all of the children attending. To order tickets call 781-3584.

INTERMARRIAGE ENQUIRY

A 3-week program enquiring how Jewish organizations feel about intermarriage and what they are doing regarding it, is planned under the auspices of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation adult education committee, Thursday, Nov. 20, Wednesday, Nov. 26 and Tuesday, Dec. 2. The gatherings are set for 8 p.m. in the synagogue, Bathurst and Glencairn.

ESSAY CONTEST

In honor of the **David Ben-Gurion** centennial celebrations in Canada, Na'amat Pioneer Women is conducting an essay contest in schools across the country. The topic is David Ben-Gurion: The Significance of his Contribution to Jewish Life. Deadline for entries is June 30, 1987.

A $250 State of Israel Bond will be awarded to a winner in each of two categories, ages 12-15 years and ages 16-18.

Submissions may be made in English, French, Yiddish or Hebrew.

Winners will be announced at the Na'amat Pioneer Triennial National Convention in Toronto, Sept. 13-15, 1987.

Entry forms are available at local schools or from the national office, 4770 Kent Ave., Suite 304, Montreal, H3W 1H2.

JSF EXPANDING

JSF (Jewish Student Federation) is coming to Seneca College and is currently at Glendon. Are you, or is anyone you know, a student or lecturer at either campus? Tell your friends about JSF.

To find out about cultural, social, political programs etc., call **Donna Kaplan**, 736-5178. This is under the auspices of York University Jewish Student Federation. (Programming is open to all Jewish young people in the area.)

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SYMPOSIUM

Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region International Affairs Committee hosts The State of World Jewry: A Symposium, Sunday, Nov. 30, 9 a.m. to 3.45 p.m., at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. Speakers, including **Prof. Irving Abella** and **Prof. Irwin Cotler**, will explain the situation of Jews in the Soviet Union, Arab lands, South Africa and Europe after the Waldheim affair.

The symposium is open to the public and free of charge. Continental breakfast and a light lunch will be available for $5. For information and reservations call 635-2883, ext. 143. Space is limited.

BETH RADOM EVENTS

Beth Radom Sisterhood is having its annual rummage sale Sunday, Nov. 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Monday Nov. 24, 4-9 p.m. at the synagogue, 18 Reiner Rd. Only good used clothing and household items will be sold.

A dance is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 6 from 8.30 p.m. to midnight at the synagogue. Music will be provided by **Eddie Gresko** and orchestra. Refreshments and door prizes are included. For further information on tickets phone **Fay Frydman**, 783-1431 or **Lottie Glass**, 633-4470. Price is $15 per couple.

INFERTILITY MEETING

IFF Toronto (Infertility: Facts and Feelings) meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 19 at Bathurst Heights Library, 3170 Bathurst St., at 7.30 p.m.

For more information call 691-6569 or 665-4811.

BBW ACTION ON THE GET

B'nai B'rith Women of Canada has embarked on a letter writing campaign to acquaint Canadian MPs with the need to make changes in civil divorce legislation.

B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto in conjunction with the public affairs department of B'nai B'rith Women of Canada, recently sponsored an educational evening on the get, designed to inform members and guests about the issues, and to organize the letter writing campaign.

Speakers included **Rabbi Barry Schneider**, associate rabbi at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, who discussed the get from a religious perspective, as well as lawyers **John Syrtash** and **Shayna Kravitz**, who offered the legal viewpoint. Kravitz is an active member of the women's committee on the get.

The panel discussion created an awareness of the problems surrounding Jewish women and the get.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

The Canadian Diabetes Association Jewish Support Group has set up a telephone support system for Jews with diabetes. Everyone interested is welcome to contact **Dorothy Zeifman** at 785-3148.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Drivers are urgently needed by the Catholic Children's Aid Society to transport children and sometimes their parents to various appointments, clinics or family sessions. Transportation costs would be reimbursed. If you are 18 years of age or older and could respond to this pressing need, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

JUDAISM LECTURES

A lecture series on basic Judaism presented by rabbis of the Conservative movement is being held on Thursday evenings at 7.30 p.m. at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue. In addition, beginners Hebrew reading and siddur is taught from 9-10 p.m. Level 2 is taught from 8-9 p.m. For more information call **Rabbi Howard Markose** at 635-5340 or **Hanna Werner** at 630-8921.

NCSY CONCERT

NCSY (National Conference of Synagogue Youth) is presenting its 7th annual concert at Minkler Auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 7 at 7.30 p.m. The concert, in aid of NCSY, will feature international singers **Mordechai Ben-David** and **Sandy Shmuely**.

Tickets are $15 each and are available at Negev Book Store. Patron, sponsor and donor tickets are $125, $60 and $36 and are available by calling **David Woolf** at 736-4478 or the NCSY office at 782-3117 or 782-5422. For further information call David Woolf at 749-5131.

DAUGHTERS OF AKIM

Akim, an organization dedicated to raising money for the mentally retarded in Israel is starting a new chapter, Daughters of Akim, for women ages 20-35. For information call 226-1520, evenings.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Adult Education lecture series features **Rabbi Gunther Plaut** who will speak on The Book of Job. The first lecture will be held on Monday, Nov. 24 at 9.15 p.m. and three more lectures will follow on Dec. 1, 8 and 15 at 9.15 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Everyone is welcome.

FREE ADULT DAY CLASSES

More than 900 adult students attend free daytime classes studying English as a second language, pre-high school math and English, as well as all high school credits. For information phone Bathurst Heights Adult Learning Centre, 789-0551, ext. 251. The school is near the Lawrence Ave. W. subway.

CHANUKAH PARTY

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation's Chanukah party is set for Saturday, Dec. 27 at 7.30 p.m. in the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Dance to the live music of **Bill Berle** featuring vocalist **Gord Lindsay** and enjoy a light supper and door prizes. Admission is $19 per person but $16 if you make reservations before Dec. 1. For information and reservations call 789-3213.

HOSPITAL LOTTERY

Tickets for the 1987 "Hospital With A Heart" lottery, sponsored by The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, are now on sale. A maximum of 2,500 tickets will be sold at $100 each.

Draws will be held once a month for six months for four cash prizes — one of $1,000, one of $500 and two of $250. The final grand draw takes place Sept. 30, when five major prizes will be awarded — a Jaguar Sovereign or $40,000, a trip for two to Israel, a mink coat, a man's designer wardrobe valued at $1,000 and a 26-inch color TV.

To order tickets, call 781-3584.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY

Come and learn about Alzheimer's Disease at a free open meeting 7.30 p.m., Wednesday, November 19 in Mount Sinai Hospital Auditorium.

For further information about this evening, call the Alzheimer Society for Metropolitan Toronto office, 789-1123 or **Jackie Philp**, publicity coordinator, 626-1340.

The society wants you to know that you are not alone. Please do **not** call Mt. Sinai Hospital.

On Thursday, Nov. 20 at 1.30 p.m. in the members lounge, Toronto City Hall, **Mayor Art Eggleton** and **Pauline McGibbon**, former Ontario lieutenant-governor, will unveil the "forget-me-not" poster, as part of Alzheimer Awareness week in Toronto.

The poster is from a painting by Canadian artist **Helen Lucas**, and intended as a fundraiser. Copies are available from the Alzheimer Society for Metropolitan Toronto, 640 Lawrence Ave. W., Suite 118, Toronto M6A 1B1, phone 789-1123. Cost is $25 each, and a tax receipt for $20 will be issued with each purchase.

PROFESSIONALS TO KIBBUTZ

A new framework has been created to enable professionals to spend a year living and working in Israel on a kibbutz. The program is geared for people who are considering aliya and wish to investigate life on a kibbutz.

Candidates are screened and undergo an orientation here before leaving for Israel. In Israel they spend three months getting acquainted with kibbutz life and learning Hebrew before they go to work in their respective professions. Participants go as tourists and are free at any time to terminate the arrangements. The program is open to singles and families through the age of 40.

NEW LOOK OF BEEF

Beef is back and more important than ever for today's health conscious and busy families says food writer **Kathleen Crowley**, in a new book entitled The New Look of Beef. In her book, Crowley provides more than 100 lean beef recipes that have been approved by the Canadian Heart Foundation. Each recipe lists the total fat, cholesterol, calories and protein per serving to help busy cooks in their menu planning.

The New Look of Beef is available in spiral bound paperback for $12 in bookstores across the country or by sending $10.95 plus $1.50 for postage and handling to The Beef Information Centre, Dept. P.R., 590 Keele St., Toronto, M6N 3E3.

JEWISH MUSIC AT HOLY BLOSSOM

A special Oneg Shabbat program, a Celebration of Jewish Music, will be held at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. on Friday, Nov. 28 at 8.30 p.m. The evening features **Aviva Katzman**, student cantor, graduating class, School of Sacred Music, Hebrew Union College, **Cantor Benjamin Maissner** and pianist **Naomi Bell.**

U OF T BOOKROOM

November is a busy month for the University of Toronto Bookroom, 214 College St. On Nov. 20, from 12.30-1.30 p.m. **Maureen Forrester** will be autographing her book, Out of Character and on Nov. 25, from 12.30-1.30 p.m., **Josef Skvorecky** will be autographing his novel, Dvorak In Love.

EATING DISORDERS

About Face is a recognized facility established to help eating disorder victims become aware of underlying patterns in their life which could provoke their obsession with food.

The group recognizes the need for education, understanding and awareness in dealing with disorders such as anorexia or bulimia. A series of workshops studying these problems is planned for Nov. 29 from 8.30 a.m.-4.30 p.m. at

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TRIBUTE COMMITTEE LAUNCHED

Yitzhak Navon, former president of Israel and now a deputy Prime Minister, helped launch the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University's Tribute Committee honoring past president Ronald Oelbaum, during his recent visit here. Navon is flanked by (left) Harold Livergant, national president of the Associates, and Sidney Chelsky, Toronto chapter president. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Loews Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St. (Yonge and College subway).

The fee is $75 and includes lunch. The workshop is limited to 150 people. Cheques or money orders can be made payable to About Face, 1393 Avenue Road, Toronto, M5N 2H3.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH THEATRE

Theatre du P'tit Bonheur, 57 Adelaide St. E., Toronto's French theatre, is staging **Michel Tremblay's** Bonjour, La, Bonjour from Nov. 25-Dec. 21. CentreStage, 27 Front St. E. will present the english version of Bonjour on the same dates. Tickets range from $7 to $14 and are available at the box office. For more information call 392-5193.

HOLOCAUST MONTH

Holocaust Education Month programs coming up this week:

Tuesday, Nov. 25 — Films Voyage of the Damned and Night and Fog will be reviewed by **Prof. Harold Troper**, movie critic **Seth Feldman** and **Lisa Avidon, survivor of the SS St. Louis.**

Wednesday, Nov. 26 — Commenting on the film, Les Violins du Bal will be historians, **Erna Paris** and **Jacques Kornberg** and movie critic **Bruce Elder.**

Wednesday, Nov. 27 — Producer **Stephen Brand** and Prof. **John Katz** will comment on the film Kaddish.

All events are located at Harbourfront, York Quay Terminal. Admission is free.

ORCHESTRA FUNDRAISER

Grand Marnier will once again be supporting Orchestra London's annual fund raiser at the Holiday Inn in London on Saturday evening Nov. 22. Patrons will be treated to Grand Marnier Champagne cocktails prior to a sumptuous dinner, fashion show and Monte Carlo style gambling. For more information call **Jane Holland**, (416) 968-3845.

BETH SHOLOM BOUTIQUE SALE

Beth Sholom Sisterhood welcomes you to its pre-holiday Boutique Sale, Monday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. in the Gerald Schwartz auditorium of the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W.

New gift items will include children's and adult clothing, accessories, cookbooks, jewelry, leather bags and stationery.

This sale is the first fund raising event geared toward the goal of providing wheelchair access and elevators for disabled congregants.

for seniors

Join the **Good Age Club** at the Bloor JCC every Thursday at 2 p.m. On Nov. 20, **Jim Snowdon,** of Snowdon Pharmacy, will speak on Drug Interaction and You. On Nov. 27, the video, Ears to Listen, Eyes to See, concerning Jewish teens in Toronto, will be shown. A discussion will follow.

Every Tuesday, at 1 p.m. the Bloor JCC hosts Coffee House 60. Meet new friends and join in lively discussions in an informal manner.

On Tuesday, Nov. 25, the group will meet at the ROM at 1 p.m. to take a tour entitled From the Collection. Charge is $2.50. Refreshments will be served and new members are welcome. For more information call Sarah Casse at 924-6211.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club is showing a film on California on Monday, Nov. 24 at 1 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Refreshments will be served. This film will be especially interesting to members who are planning to join the trip to California May 6-24. For further information call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50 is hosting a bingo on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 1.30 p.m. There will be prizes and coffee and cake will be served. Everyone welcome. Charge for non-members is $1.50.

The line and ballroom dancing at **Earl Bales Seniors' Place** is now in full swing. Come out on Wednesdays from 7.30-9.30 p.m. and have an enjoyable evening with **Ada Goldblatt**. There is no charge. Earl Bales Seniors' Place is in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard.

The Workmen's Circle Social Club is having a luncheon on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Singer, **Albert Feldman** will entertain. Come and reserve for the Dec. 30 Chanukah party. Call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727 for information.

The JCC Singers now accept new members. All voices, especially altos are welcome. There is no need to read music. Rehearsals are every Thursday from 9.30-11 a.m. at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St., Room 221. Conductor is **Esther Ghan-Firestone**and pianist is **Sara Barkin-Sandler**. The JCC Singers entertain at seniors homes, hospitals and communal events. Come to their next performance on Nov. 19 at 1.30 p.m., at Baycrest Hospital. The group will also perform at Extendicare, 1925 Steeles Ave. E. on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 2 p.m. For information call **Saul Goldstein** at 782-8644.

The Wagman Centre's The Law and You series in cooperation with the Canadian Bar Association continues on Thursday, Nov. 27 with Issues Surrounding Wills and Powers of Attorney. The time is 7:30-9 p.m. at the centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For more information call 789-5131, ext. 2273.

Wagman Centre's members and guests, register by Friday, Nov. 28, to attend the Ice Capades, Sunday, Dec. 7, at Maple Leaf Gardens. The group leaves the centre, 55 Ameer Ave., at 4.30 p.m. and returns at 9. You may wish to bring a light snack. Cost is $10 for members, $12, guests.

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Program for women 55-70 years of age, widowed less than two years, meets on Sunday, Nov. 23 from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, local 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Widows 70 and Over Program is set for Monday, Nov. 24, 1.30-3 p.m. in Rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre. For information, call 789-5131, local 2271.

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widowers Program for men over 55 years of age, widowed less than two years, will be held Wednesday, Nov. 26, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the centre. For information call 789-5131, local 2269, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 1.30 p.m. **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** will hear **Judge Barry Shapiro**.

Jewish Community Centre Senior Adult Services features a Presentation of Product Development and Approach to Food Health Issues with **Gail Avinoam**, an expert on research and development from the Campbell Soup Co. It takes place on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 1 p.m. in the Senior Adult Lounge of the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. Refreshments will be served and there is no charge for admission.

Labor Zionist Alliance Senior Citizens Club meets 10 a.m.-noon, Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., to hear **Max Mandelman** discuss the 100th Anniversary of the birth of **Joseph Opatoshu.**

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The centre is offering several courses co-sponsored by the North York Board of Continuing Education. Courses are free to members and all seniors over 65. For information about them call **Barbara Resnick** at 225-2112.

Dance to the lively music of the Creative Band on Sunday, Nov. 23 at 7.30 p.m. Admission is $2, $2.50 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Nov. 26 at 1.30 p.m. features singer/entertainer **Nancy Anderson**. Refreshments will be served. Charge is members, $1.25, non-members, $1.75.

The Friendship Circle for people 55 and over and on their own meets Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Music Room. **Terry Winston** will speak on Jewish Social Etiquette: Issues for the 80s. This is for members only and charge is $1.

Lifelong Learning Institute offers a lecture entitled Early Canadian Travel Literature with Prof. **Jack Warwick.** It takes place in the synagogue on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 10 a.m.

singles

Total Living Mature Singles is having a general meeting 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 23, in Earl Bales Community Centre in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard. Program will be a Games Night. Whatever your choice, there will be a game for you. This will be a chance to meet and mix. Refreshments will be served, and everyone is welcome. Admission is $1 for members, $2 non-members. The next dance is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 27.

JCC Valley Singles Network presents an Art Happening at 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 23. The "off the wall" event will be at the Eden Gallery, 97 Scollard St. (one block north of Yorkville, west of Bay). Artist **Lorraine Bellerose** will exhibit her work and discuss the various mediums she uses. Refreshments will be served following her talk. There is no admission charge. For additional information call **Sally Kerbel**, 889-0813.

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Dr. Reif is the author of 110 articles dealing with the Bible, Medieval Jewish history and literature, and other aspects of Jewish lore. He has written a number of books, compiled several catalogues of the Genizah Collection, and is the editor of the recently published INTERPRETING THE HEBREW BIBLE.

He will be coming to Toronto after a series of lectures at Harvard University, under the sponsorship of their Faculty of Jewish Studies.

Dr. Reif's visit to Toronto affords us a special opportunity to learn about an unusual resource for Jewish scholarship, and to explore with him the world's greatest archive of Jewish materials.

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A night featuring music of the 50s and 60s is planned at Le Club, Inn on the Park, 1100 Eglinton Ave. E., 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 20. Sponsor is **Larry Klein.**

Club Moriah invites newcomers (30-40) to BAF (bring a friend of the opposite sex) to meet other singles in an informal, friendly manner. This is for Sunday, Nov. 23, in mid-morning. A mystery half-day out of town tour begins after brunch at a central eatery.

On Thursday, Nov. 27, meet at 6 p.m. at Harbourfront for supper prior to seeing the Holocaust film, Kaddish.

Carpooling is available for both events.

For more details call **Jeffrey,** evenings, at 783-3019, at least three days in advance of each gathering.

The Professional and University Educated Group of High Society invites you to attend a cocktail reception 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 23, at Top of Gigi's, 1954 Yonge St., (west side), just north of Davisville. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be served. A host and hostess will introduce people to one another. There is free parking behind Gigi's. Enter from Imperial St. Cover is $8. Call High Society, 783-8520.

The third annual nationwide Jewish Singles Supercruise, sponsored by the **St. Louis Jewish Community Centers Association** is set for February and March, 1987. Jewish singles, ages 20 to 40 will sail Feb. 22, and singles 40 to 60 will sail on March 1. Both sailings are 7-day Mexican Riviera cruises from Los Angeles. Prices for an all-inclusive package range from $1,000 to $1,300. The cruise ship sails from Los Angeles to Mazatlan, Puerto Vallarta and Cabo San Lucas.

To inquire further, contact **Jamie Field,** singles co-ordinator, 2 Millstone Campus Dr., Saint Louis, Mo. 63146, telephone (314) 432-5700, ext 154.

A singles group (age range in the 50s) is holding an open meeting Sunday, Nov. 30, for the purpose of meeting new friends. Refreshments will be served. Call **Eve,** 653-6461, for details.

Metro Toronto Singles offers a second Singles Night at Le Club, Inn on the Park, Leslie and Eglinton, 8 p.m., Monday, Nov. 24. Cover is $8. For additional information call **Syd,** 222-7111.

About People

ORDER OF CANADA RECIPIENTS

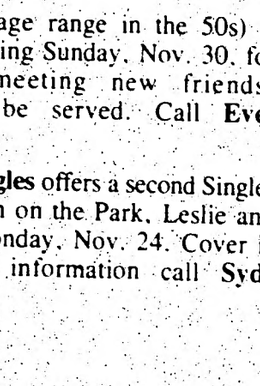
At an investiture held in Rideau Hall, Ottawa, 69 Canadians were presented with their insignia of membership in the Order of Canada by **Governor-General Jeanne Sauve.**

The order was created in 1967 to pay tribute to those who exemplify the highest qualities of citizenship and whose contributions enrich the lives of their contemporaries.

Among the recipients were, **Milton Harris,** Toronto, **Moshe Safdie,** Cambridge, Mass, **Arthur Vineberg** Westmount, Que., **Samuel Berger,** Montreal, **Benjamin Keyfetz,** Toronto and **Alan Rose,** Westmount.

AT YESHIVA COLLEGE

Joel Beasley of Oakville, is among Yeshiva University's fourth group of Max Stern Scholars beginning studies this fall at Yeshiva College, the university's undergraduate division of liberal arts and sciences for men. Funded by the Max Stern Foundation, the Max Stern Scholars Program is the university's largest privately funded scholarship program, providing up to $20,000 per student over four years and a special enrichment program of honors seminars and cultural events.



Joel Beasley

Joel, a psychology major, is a graduate of Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT). He is the son of **Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beasley** of Oakville.

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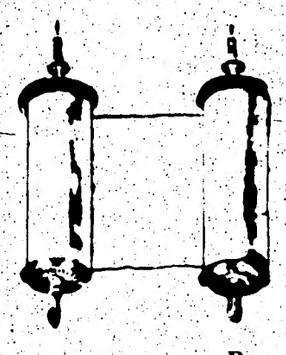

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Vayairah

You have to have chutzpah to serve God, and love — and a sense of humor.

"Vayairah eilav Hashem. . . . And God appeared to Abraham in the fields of Mamreh. . . .

The holy Shechinah descended upon Abraham. Where? In a shul? A beit medrash? A holy place?

Bi-aylonai Mamreh! In the fields of a pagan, Mamreh, Abraham's friend. How could the Shechinah appear there?

Once there was a Jew who rented the inn concession from the local landowner in Poland. Another Jew saw that his friend was very successful, and offered the landowner a higher bid to take over his friend's livelihood — hasagat gvul! (Entering someone else's livelihood)!

"No," responded the landowner. "It is not right that you should take over the other Jew's business." And turned him down flatly.

Later the Jew regretted his action, and went to the Toldot Yaakov Yosef in wonder. "How was it that I, an observant Jew, had a yetzer horah (evil inclination) to take away another Jew's livelihood, while a pagan landowner had the good inclination to protect a Jew's parnassah?"

Answered the Toldot: "And when did the thought first enter your mind to try to invade another Jew's business?"

"In the middle of the silent Shmoneh Esrai," he answered.

"Aha!" exclaimed the Toldot. "In that instant when the yetzer horah had the chutzpah to enter your thoughts right in the middle of the holiest prayers, the yetzer tov had the chutzpah to enter the pagan's mind!"

The Toldot continued: "And that is how the Shechinah had the boldness to descend in the fields of the Canaanite Mamreh, because the yetzer horah has the chutzpah to try to trap a pious Jew."

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Abraham was not afraid to care, and to feel.

Abraham represents hospitality, Isaac stands for prayer, and Jacob symbolizes Torah study.

How observant was Abraham? He kept the whole Torah, teach our rabbis. When God blessed Abraham, He proclaimed: "eikev asher shomar Avraham bikoli . . . because Abraham hearkened to My voice, and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws. . . ."

What laws did Abraham keep? What are the details? How did he keep Shabbat or kashrut?

A mystery! It's all just mentioned in passing.

But when it comes to the mitzvah of "hachnosat orchim" — welcoming strangers, idol worshippers, to his tent — the Torah goes into great detail. Running after wanderers in the desert. The menu. Who did the cooking.

Why all the detail, just for this one meal? To show the holiness of the mitzvah of welcoming strangers into our house, making people welcome. But first we have to have hachnosat orchim in our hearts. We have to have room in our hearts for every human being we meet.

Every person is a universe. Every Jew is a shul.

After a fast, Reb Yechiel Michel of Gustinin did not appear until very late to the meal, with a guest at his heels. When asked where he was, he chuckles: "You were hungry and I was hungry. You for food, and I for a guest!"

Easy as ABC — Good Shabbos.

Testimonial for Harry Weinstock

Longtime worker for Israel feted

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Harry Weinstock — committed Labor Zionist and a former vice-president of the Jewish National Fund — was honored at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue recently by the Labor Zionist Movement (Ontario Region) and State of Israel Bonds for nearly 60 years of devotion to Israel.

His testimonial dinner was a who's who of the Labor Zionist movement, with representation from the Labor Zionist Senior Citizens, the Canadian Zionist Federation, Bialik School and other allied societies.

Weinstock has been active in the Labor Zionist movement since his days in his native Poland.

Born in the town of Stashov, Weinstock became a young member of Yungbor and Hashomer Hatzair. He came to Canada with an uncle who died on the way over and the young Weinstock was enrolled in studies at Jarvis Collegiate and Wycliffe College.

Almost immediately, he plunged into the Zionist movement in Canada. He was a founding member in the early 30s of the Jewish Youth Alliance, whose president he eventually became. He later established the Zionist Youth Council where he also served as president. In 1940, he joined the Farband and was designated Histadrut chairman.

Weinstock later represented the Labor Zionist movement at Canadian Jewish Congress and was instrumental in forming the Metropolitan Division of United Jewish Appeal. He also helped create the Martyrs Forest in Jerusalem and in 1954, he was chosen to officially open the first hotel in Eilat. In 1971, the Labor Zionist Alliance named a clinic in his honor in K'far Shalem. He was also vice-president of JNF and was active in many landsmanshaften.

Harry Weinstock

Today, Weinstock is chairman of the City Committee of Labor Zionist Alliance, president of the Labor Zionist Alliance Canadian District, an honorary vice-president of CZF, a member of both the Histadrut and Associated Hebrew Schools and a member of the board of trustees of Bialik School.

Greetings came from Jack Goldbach of the Labor Zionist Senior Citizens; Norma Barkin of Na'amat Pioneer Women; Ruth Leroy and Max Shecter, both of CZF; Julius Sokoloff of Bialik School; Dave Newman of Labor Zionist Alliance; Saul Marmurek of the Landsmanshaften Council and Weinstock's daughter, Ruth Weinstock Fielder, manager of media relations at the Royal Ontario Museum.

Special guest speaker was Eleazar Lipsky, a U.S. lawyer, novelist, member of the World Zionist Congress and past president of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA).

Weinstock, a retired businessman, was feted for his tireless devotion to Labor Zionism and to "the working men and women" of Israel.

Poster puzzle new for simcha

TORONTO —

Photographer Frank Nelson's simcha poster puzzles have become increasingly popular in the five years since he introduced them.

"It has become a popular way for a bar or bat mitzvah to mark the years of growth and development," he told The Canadian Jewish News.

Nelson makes a color 2-by 3-foot blowup of the subject, which he mounts on half-inch plywood and cuts, jigsaw style, into 13 or 14 numbered pieces. Honored guests at the ceremony come up and assemble the puzzle one piece at a time on a stand beside the head table.

"It's like a candle-lighting ceremony, except the parents are left with a beautiful and unique keepsake of the ceremony and not some gobs of wax," said Nelson. "It's also appropriate for Shabbat luncheons where people don't want to light candles."

To heighten the visual impact, the color puzzle is assembled over a black-and-white blowup of the subject as an infant. "The last piece to go in shows the subject's eyes," said Nelson, who has been taking simcha photos for the past 20 years.

Nelson also makes acrylic key chains and paperweights adorned with photos of the simcha family, and videotapes.

For the jigsaw, Nelson takes the photo, blows it up, and mounts and cuts it himself. "I need about 30 days before the simcha," he said.

Nelson can be reached at (416) 886-3210 or 886-3118.

MAX BRANDRISS ז"ל

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to my many relatives and friends for their kind sympathy and condolences expressed to me during my recent bereavement.

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Red Cross asked to help

TORONTO —

The Canadian Red Cross has been urged by the Simon Wiesenthal Centre to take a "leadership role" in having Israel's Magen David Adom granted full status in the International Red Cross after the recent decision by the IRC to incorporate the Moslem crescent symbol into its official title.

Magen David Adom continued to be barred from full participation in the IRC.

In a letter to Andrew Fleming, Canadian Red Cross Society president, the Canadian representative of the Wiesenthal Centre, Sol Littman, wrote that "in the past, the Magen David Adom has been denied full international privileges within the IRC on the grounds that they did not bear the exclusive insignia of the international organization.

"It seems clear that the continuation of such blatantly prejudicial policy by the IRC constitutes nothing less than a scandalous mark on an international agency which prides itself as standing apart from politics."

The letter went on to say, "We urge that the Canadian Red Cross Society takes a leadership role to see that the Israel Magen David Adom be given full status in the IRC."

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Rabbi Yaacov Weinberg addresses four questions

Halacha and business, legal ethics discussed

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —
Essential halachic concepts concerning business and legal ethics were discussed recently at an overflowing meeting of Aish HaTorah's regular lunch study session.

The program, held in the Commerce Court boardroom of Brascan Ltd. and hosted by Edward Bronfman, is the second in a 3-part series on business ethics and Torah.

"What we decided this year is to have a theme so there would be a connection between one lecture and another," says Rabbi David Green, who teaches and performs public relations duties at Aish HaTorah.

At this session 70 guests sat elbow to elbow to listen to Rabbi Yaacov Weinberg present the Torah's ruling on four ethical questions submitted by participants following the previous lecture.

Those four questions were: Can one put down the competition in advertising ? Can one inform on the competition when you have knowledge that they are cheating ? How binding are written and oral agreements — what leeway is there for breaking these commitments ? Can a lawyer represent a client who has done something illegal or immoral ?

Responding to the question of negative advertising, Rabbi Weinberg explained that Judaism approaches all moral and ethical issues in a legal and therefore technical way.

"You've got to make it real and to be real it's got to be legal and to be legal, it's got to be technical."

There are two halachic principles affecting this question, said Weinberg.

Torah prohibits lashon hora, any talk which tends to derogatory reference. But if the content is a generally known fact then it is no longer prohibited. However, cautioned Weinberg, the subject may not be discussed with malicious intent.

The advertiser could argue that negative advertising against a competitor is in the interest of the public and that is acceptable, said Weinberg.

"However, we are not permitted to use derogatory information about someone else to benefit ourselves."

The only justifiable motivation for such behavior is to protect the public, and that could be an obligation, "but from the Jewish point of view, that is the only circumstance that we may use the disparagement of the competition."

The same principle of ensuring the public good also applies to informing on a competitor who is cheating, the rabbi said. In such a case, the fact that it is a competitor is irrelevant.

Generally, he added, Judaism is against informing, but where there is a need to prevent an evil deed, one does it. But one does it reluctantly.

If the motive is to get the perpetrator punished, that is not appropriate, said Weinberg. If you do it to protect the public then you are obligated to do it.

Agreements are not binding until some method is used to make them binding; until an oral agreement is consummated through some process understood by both parties to complete it, it is not considered binding Weinberg explained.

However, he continued, the Torah expects Jews to live according to principles; that they make a moral agreement obligatory and once made they are bound to it.

A Jew may not lie to remove himself from an agreement or feign misunderstanding about its terms to escape later. However, genuine misunderstanding does allow a contract to be broken.

"A Jew is obligated by a fact whether or not it can be proven, but a court cannot enforce anything that cannot be proven. The court cannot impose an interpretation. It's got to interpret it according to the actual wording of the contract itself."

During the discussion session following the lecture, Weinberg added that the court does have powers of intervention in a contract if the results are unjust — if the loss by one party should never have been and could never have been envisaged. Then the court can rule that the contract should never have been made.

On the question of a lawyer who must represent a client he knows to have committed an illegal act, Weinberg responded that Jewish law does not recognize the Western concept of a lawyer or legal system.

The lawyer in Judaism is required to help the court understand the case in its full capacity — to discover the truth.

But the Canadian system is adversarial, pitting one lawyer against another to discover the truth. The lawyer is obligated by the system and society to defend even the client he knows to be guilty.

Judaism considers this a moral incongruity. It allows the lawyer to plead for leniency, but not to represent his client as innocent while knowing otherwise, Weinberg concluded.

The executive lunch study sessions are only one of many programs offered by Aish HaTorah.

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Witty to UJA: School system needs to expand

By
BOB GOTTLIEB

TORONTO —
Calling the Jewish educational system in Toronto "one of the finest and most significant in North America," Rabbi Irwin Witty recently described the accomplishments and future needs of the system for 100 board members of the United Jewish Appeal.

Witty was introduced to the top campaign leadership at a UJA breakfast meeting by Dr. Harry Krakowsky, who lauded the Board of Jewish Education's director as a "world-class educator."

Noting that enrolment in the city's Jewish day and supplementary schools now totals 14,000, Witty said a prolonged and escalating student growth rate was due to a combination of factors.

These include the quality of Jewish education in Toronto; an increasing Jewish population; and the perception here of the importance of a Jewish education, he said.

There are 8,160 students in Toronto's full-time day and high school system, including 540 students attending the Community Hebrew Academy high school, the BJE director stated. The United Synagogue Day School system (USDS) is the largest of its kind in the world, he added.

Witty spoke of the crucial nature of UJA funding, budgeted to Jewish education through the Toronto Jewish Congress. Totaling $5.6 million in 1986, those funds are used to help families unable to meet the tuition costs of a Jewish education.

Nearly 7,000 full-time students, he said, receive some form of subsidy or grant which enables them to remain within the system.

As to future needs, Witty said expansion was the primary concern, adding that in the next four to five years, "we don't know where we'll put our burgeoning student population."

He estimated that $25 million will be required for additional school sites within 10 years.

Also high on the list of priorities: the need for additional qualified teaching staff, and support services in the areas of guidance and counseling.

Witty termed today's students "our Jewish tomorrows" and the Jewish educational system itself as a "vehicle of Jewish continuity and survival."

The balance of the meeting, conducted by UJA co-chairman Max Handelman, saw various members of the campaign leadership report on their divisional progress to date.

The desired 20% increases by contributors to help meet increased Jewish needs locally and in Israel were met and often exceeded the goal, the meeting was told.

Those reporting included: Harold Lederman, Julia Koschitzky, Joan Stevens, Neil Nisker, Dr. Joel Kirsch, Dr. Scarlat Albright, Dr. Harry Krakowsky, Dan Rozenzweig, Debbie Milstein, Glennie Lindenberg, Marty Goldberg, Paul Slavens, Nat Hurwich, Joel Reitman, Jerry Ross, Carl Goldenberg, David Freeman, Billy Berger, Harold Malitzky, Nelson Reuben, Fred Winegust, Bill Klarfield, Jerome Shor, Harry Binder, Jeff Engel, Mel Gilbert and Sid Chelsky.

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Attending opening ceremonies at the National Council of Jewish Women Toronto Section's integrated housing project are (from left) Lesley Miller, secretary-treasurer of the NCJW Foundation; Zev Selinger, future tenant; Nita Goldband, NCJW Toronto Section president; John Sweeney, Ontario minister of community and social services; Patti Starr, NCJW Foundation president; York Centre MP Bob Kaplan and Monte Kwinter, Ontario minister for consumer and commercial relations. [Graphic Artists photo]

NCJW housing ready soon

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

Hailed as a first of its kind, the housing project sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, to provide integrated, affordable apartment living for seniors, families and people with disabilities, welcomes its first tenants this month.

At opening ceremonies in the nearly completed building at Bathurst and St. Charles, the jubilation was palpable as Nita Goldband, vice-president of the NCJW Foundation, which has guided the concept, said, "What I would really like to do is stand on the roof and shout with pride!"

She told political representatives, builders and supporters: "Together we have addressed a basic need for housing and a recognition that the well-being of the community is everyone's priority. By blending the skills and resources of a diverse group of people, we have created a unique model of integrated housing."

Speaker after speaker noted the extraordinary partnership which emerged between the builders, Tridel Corp.'s Del Zotto family and NCJW Foundation president, Patti Starr, who together with her consortium of determined "Jewish mamas," all Council volunteers, monitored every step of construction.

The S-shaped buff brick building located near shopping and transportation has 50 units for seniors, 39 family units, 55 units for the able/disabled and 16 handicapped/attendant care units.

The able/disabled are persons with a disability such as cerebral palsy or arthritis, not always severe enough to need attendant care, but requiring life skills services. They frequently encounter landlord prejudice and have difficulty finding accommodation.

The complex is a linked 8- and 4-storey structure. A mix of young and old, able and disabled, is the key idea, but families with children will be housed in the low-rise area to grant some quiet to seniors.

It is anticipated that a community of caring people will evolve, with seniors offering to babysit, young persons assisting the elderly and the disabled sharing in the life around them.

Completely accessible apartments with such features as low kitchen counters and approachable showers, have been designed with input from the handicapped.

For children there is an outdoor playground and an indoor playroom.

Other amenities include a landscaped street level garden, two roof gardens, a large multi-purpose room with ramp-accessible stage, a TV lounge, craft room, sauna, whirlpool, exercise room, kitchen and library.

And there will be a Shabbat elevator.

As residents move in they will be welcomed with gift baskets prepared by NCJW volunteers, and weekly coffee klaches will offer an opportunity to consider programming.

Funding for the project is through a $10 million mortgage insured by Central Mortgage and Housing Corp., an annual federal operating subsidy plus assistance from the provincial ministry of housing and the ministry of community and social services.

National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, will own and manage the property.

Couple claims benefits from natural hygiene

By
GAY LEFEBVRE

TORONTO —

Sitting down at the Aarons' kitchen table for lunch is an ideal lesson in the principles of natural hygiene.

Joe and Gladys Aaron, who run the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Natural Hygiene Society, are passionate devotees of a way of life that strives for good health through a vegetarian diet, exercise and a good mental attitude.

The lunch of raw vegetable salad and rolled oats with millet was a typical natural hygiene meal. But what was not on the table better told the story — no salt and pepper, dressing, sugar, coffee or drinking glasses.

In short, no stimulants or condiments which irritate the body, explained Gladys Aaron.

"Water flushes out the important vitamins and minerals," Joe Aaron said. "There is enough water in fruits and vegetables. Drinking, therefore is not necessary during a meal."

Unlike vegetarians, followers of natural hygiene abstain from eating meat and dairy products for health, as well as moral reasons, said Gladys Aaron.

"The body requires very little protein; anything over three ounces a day is unusable and strains the kidneys trying to eliminate the excess," said Joe Aaron.

The Aarons eat nuts and legumes for protein and point to themselves as examples of good health without meat or milk. Joe, trim and fit at 71 declared, "we're always vital and active."

Gladys, 67, teaches exercise classes to seniors and with Joe, administers the natural hygiene chapter from their home, which has become a full-time job with over 800 members, the largest chapter worldwide.

Joe Aaron became interested in natural hygiene more than 60 years ago when his brother overcame tuberculosis and pleurisy with fasting and a vegetarian diet after doctors had declared him incurable.

But it was not until 1960 when he attended an American Hygiene Society convention in New York that he formed the Toronto chapter.

People don't want to accept responsibility for their health. They rely on doctors and drugs to cure them, but true health care is self-care," said Joe Aaron.

"The basis of our organization is education through lectures, books and newsletters, to make people aware of preventive health care," said Gladys.

In their effort to keep the body as free of poisons and toxins as possible, there is no room for compromise or moderation. "If it's not a food, it's a poison," Gladys stated. Alcohol, for example, is forbidden in any quantity.

In addition to a vegetarian diet, followers of natural hygiene eat only carefully prescribed combinations of food groups to prevent digestive problems. The two worst enemies, according to the Aarons, are starch and protein which make the common lunch sandwich a health hazard.

Interest in natural hygiene is growing, in large part because of the popularity of the book, *Fit for Life*, by Harvey and Marilyn Diamond, which describes the practices of natural hygiene.

The Aarons hope to move the chapter office out of their Toronto home which is growing cluttered with organization business material. To that end, they are organizing a fund raising banquet "to finance a natural hygiene centre where we could hold workshops, programs, lectures and set up an office," said Gladys.

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Rudin says he is particularly pleased with one of the many commedations contained in the CCHA report. "The board of governors, board directors, administration and medical staff are commended for the consistent strong leadership with support of all members of staff, women's auxiliary, men's service group and the Baycrest Centre Foundation which has ensured a high quality of care for the elderly," says the first paragraph of the report.

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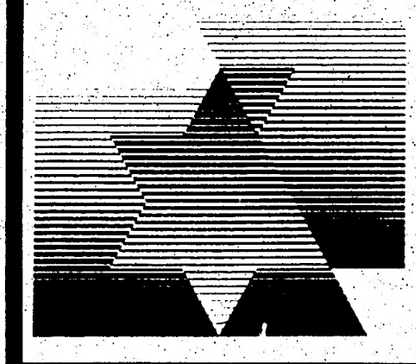

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Organizations and People

Book analyzes ancient relationship

Rosenberg uncovers Christian myths about Jews

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Jews have very special messages to bring to their Christian partners-in-dialogue, says Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg in the introduction of his recently published book, The Christian Problem: A Jewish View (Deneau Publishers, $24.95).

The 241-page book analyzes the question: Why have the Jews become the obsession and hang-up of the Christian religious tradition?

In chapter after chapter, the author returns to his theme, offering many generally unknown examples of the manner in which Christianity has been "bedeviled" by its own confusions concerning the Jews.

A preamble to any serious Jewish dialogue with Christians, says Rosenberg, must include prior acceptance of three fundamental requirements: Recognition of Judaism as a living religion with its own religious, cultural, and historical destiny; acknowledgement of the past role of the church in preserving Christian hostility to Judaism; and Christians who do not seek to convert Jews — who are "willing to leave to God's doing what is surely God's planning."

Without rancor or enmity, Rosenberg has combined courageous frankness with scholarly eloquence in his 18th book. He uncovers Christian myths that have "closed Jews out of Christian history and may even have led to Hitler's final solution."

Elie Wiesel, who was recently chosen to receive the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize, says Rosenberg's book is "erudite, provocative, challenging and sheds new light on an ancient relationship."

Through his intelligible analysis of history, Rosenberg, who is currently the rabbi of Beth Torah Congregation in Toronto and a well known lecturer in the United States and Canada, skilfully presents his well-documented study of Christian origins and Judaic sources.

Leaving polemics behind, Rosenberg challenges Christians to revise their historical perspective and acknowledge Judaism as an integral part of the life of Jesus. He asks Christians to examine the adversarial character of Christianity and to uncover "faulty Christian education and propaganda based on slogans and prejudices."

In an interview with The CJN to discuss the launching of his book locally, the author stresses that he is not expecting Christians to agree with him on every point. "I just want them to deal with the issues — to put the issues on the agenda."

As well as challenging Christians, Rosenberg articulates for many Jews what they have not been able to say. "I hope this will be a voice for a deeply felt, perhaps intuitively understood, but not articulated position for many Jews."

Rosenberg says that he is "very appreciative and profoundly moved" by the reception the book has already received from many Jewish and Christian scholars.

Dr. N. Bruce McLeod, the former moderator of the United Church of Canada, says the book is, "An eloquent reminder that for Christians to be Christian they must recover their Jewish roots and rebuild a relationship of respect with the Jewish community — God's ongoing people."

Along with a comprehensive section on medieval Jewish history, Rosenberg explains what the Jewish culture has done. "I'm trying to restore Jews to the mainstream of world history — Jews created the idea of universities, advanced programs for adult education unknown among other cultures, and projected the now-accepted concept of the welfare state.

He notes that the book will help sophisticated open-minded Christians who are grappling with unanswered questions, and help Jews approach the Christian world with greater self-confidence and with a deeper insight into their own cultural identities.

Rosenberg, a pioneer of Christian-Jewish dialogue in Canada, says that the climate in many sectors of the Christian community is vastly different today than it was 25 years ago. "We've made more progress than in the previous 1,900 years. But we are still only at the beginning."

He believes that the way to proceed is to confront the problems. "You talk about the Holocaust, you talk about Christian guilt, and you talk about the indispensability of the State of Israel for Jewish survival everywhere.

"We must explain to Christians that the State of Israel is a critical part of Jewish self-understanding and not only a political instrument as such."

He notes that today there are more than 400 universities in North America that give courses in Jewish studies. "This is no small testimony to the increasing acceptance of the Jewish culture in our society."

Rosenberg explains that his purpose in writing the book was to help Christians and Jews meet in a "more balanced spiritual equilibrium," so that if they choose to encounter one another, they may do so as religious equals.

"Without parity — as equals — there can never be dialogue — I have tried to help both groups understand who they really are and what has happened to them as a result of the encrustation of two millennia of anti-Jewish traditions."

The Christian Problem is a selection of the Jewish Book Club of B'nai B'rith International, and has been designated as required reading for interfaith programs. Rosenberg says he is extremely encouraged by the fact that many Jews are purchasing the book to give to their Christian friends.

The Christian Problem: A Jewish View is being launched officially in Toronto Nov. 20 at a celebration at the Beth Torah Congregation sponsored by Deneau Publishers, the League of Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada, and the synagogue.,

Speakers at the launching were to include Rev. Bruce McLeod, Robert Shuster, co-chairman of the League for Human Rights, B'nai B'rith Canada, Central Region, and Denis Deneau of Deneau Publishers.

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Organizations and People

TJC approves 10.5% increase in help to poor

By BONNIE WASSER

TORONTO — A 10.5% increase in direct assistance to the poor is a major highlight of the 1986-87 Toronto Jewish Congress budget approved recently by the communal organization's officers and executive.

The increase "reflects a greater caseload at the Jewish Family & Child Service as well as the higher costs of transportation and housing," said outgoing TJC treasurer Herb Rosenfeld, who presented the budget.

Funding for Toronto Jewish Congress and its recipient agencies and institutions is derived from the yearly campaigns of the United Jewish Appeal. Funds raised are in turn budgeted by TJC to meet Jewish communal needs locally and in Israel's social service sector.

Rosenfeld, who completes his 3-year term as treasurer next month, said that he is pleased that successful UJA fund raising efforts have made possible the allocation of additional funding for needs in Israel "while maintaining and even increasing the local services of Toronto Jewish Congress."

Expanded assistance was given in the new budget to the following agencies and institutions:

• Shearim Hebrew Day School, established in 1980, received a first-time grant to provide a program in Judaic studies for children with learning disabilities.

• Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living received funding for a new outreach program to elderly immigrants from the Soviet Union. Components include a Russian-speaking social worker and direct costs for the program.

• The Jewish Dateline, now a regular service of the Jewish Family & Child Service following a successful pilot project, was allocated operating funds.

• The Chaplaincy Service of Toronto Jewish Congress has received funding for three special projects.

• The Jewish Student Federation at York University and Jewish Student Union at the University of Toronto will receive special funds for anti-cult/anti-missionary activities, specifically to combat a heightened campaign by the Jews for Jesus group on campuses this year.

• The Youth Connection, a newspaper coordinating youth groups in Toronto, was given a special start-up grant.

Two expanded programs of TJC: the Jewish Women's Federation and the Human Resources Department received significant funding.

Herb Rosenfeld

• The Jewish Public Library will receive funds to implement recommendations of the Library Study Report approved earlier this year by the TJC executive.

• The Board of Jewish Education got more money, reflecting in particular a 14% increase in high school enrolment this year.

Over 100 people on four budget and finance subcommittees were involved in the review of fiscal requests from TJC member agencies and institutions.

The four subcommittee chairmen, Aaron Brotman (social service agencies), Marshall Kesten (campus and cultural services), Barry Tissenbaum (administrative), and Philip Alter (fiscal committee of the Board of Jewish Education) brought together their recommendations in a meeting with the treasurer to draft the budget.

— "Besides granting allocations to the various agencies," said Rosenfeld, "the budget and finance committee makes general recommendations based on its reviews.

"A major recommendation this year was the initiation of a planning and priorities committee to review and oversee new or expanded programing that falls within the TJC framework."

The following member agencies, institutions and communal services receive funding from Toronto Jewish Congress:

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Organizations and People

Scholarships for needy students

New Leadership "graduation party" to help HU

TORONTO —

The "First Annual Graduation Party" of the Toronto New Leadership Division of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University will be held Jan. 24 at Sutton Place's Stop 33.

Proceeds from the party, to feature dinner, dancing and a Yuk Yuk's comedian, will be used to fund scholarships for needy Israeli students at the Hebrew University.

The kickoff meeting for the event, held recently at the Primrose Club, was attended by more than 25 young Jewish community leaders.

Steve Diamond, co-chairman of the division, said the party is important because it offers people a way to help raise funds for the Hebrew University and enjoy themselves at the same time.

"Why the graduation party theme? Because we wanted people to know that even though it's going to be a fun event, it's for a good cause — helping people to get an education and become graduates of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

"We're convinced this is important because the only edge Israel has over its hostile neighbors is its ability to educate its people. The best way to help Israel is to help as many Israelis as possible get an education, and that is what we're trying to do with this function," Diamond said.

"The division's work is crucial given the Israeli government's decision to reduce its level of funding to the Hebrew University," he added.

Diamond said the event has been dubbed the "First-Annual" because that's what it is.

"In the future, the community can count on a Hebrew University New Leadership Party every year. It will give people in the 'new leadership' age bracket the means to stand up and be counted on an annual basis," he said.

Edward Bronfman, the Friends' national vice-president, was present to lend moral support. Commenting on the function, he asked, tongue firmly in cheek, whether there was any age restriction: "Can someone my age attend?"

Marvin Geist, former co-chairman of the division, said he had just returned from a trip to Israel with his wife Terry, and had seen for himself the results of the Division's efforts.

"As many of you know, last year we endowed a computer laboratory at the Hebrew University's Institute of Science and Mathematics," Geist said. "Terry and I visited the laboratory when we were in Jerusalem, and met with the faculty and students who were working on the computer equipment donated by the Toronto New Leadership. We found it very moving — our work paid off — we did make a difference," he said.

Dr. Harvey Zimmerman, co-chairman of the division, said the Friends are planning a new leadership mission to Israel this spring to dedicate the computer lab.

He said the mission will also tour across Israel, and will give its participants opportunity to see Israel "from a perspective that could only be offered by the country's leading university."

The mission will take place from April 29 to May 11.

For more information about the "First Annual Graduation Party," or about the New Leadership Mission, call Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University at 789-2633.

UK scholar will discuss Genizah finds

TORONTO —

Stefan Reif, an authority on one of the most important Jewish collections of rare books and scrolls, the Cairo Genizah, will deliver a lecture here this weekend on the literary treasures and historical documents in this archive, now housed at Cambridge University.

Reif, curator and director of the Taylor-Schechter Genizah Research Unit at Cambridge, will lecture on What the Genizah Teaches Us About the Continuity of Jewish Life and Identity, at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. His presentation will be illustrated with slides.

The talk is being sponsored by the Toronto Board of Jewish Education.

Reif is the author of 110 articles dealing with the Bible, Medieval Jewish History and Literature, and other aspects of Jewish lore. He has written several books, prepared a number of catalogues of the Genizah collection, and is the editor of the recently published volume, Interpreting the Hebrew Bible. He will be appearing in Toronto following a series of lectures at Harvard University.

The Cambridge Genizah collection consists of some 140,000 fragments dating back 1,000 or more years in Jewish history. It was discovered in the attic of the Ezra Synagogue, built in 882 C.E. Over a period of decades, it has brought to light a series of documents and writings relating to the history of the Jews dating from the time of the Islamic conquests until the First Crusade.

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TORONTO, Ont. —

Radio 790's Israel Today show is broadcasting five evenings a week now. Sunday through Thursday 11 p.m. to midnight, on 790 on the AM band.

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Rosensweig is the show's English host. He and Hebrew host (and producer-director) Shimon Zer-Aviv exchange a little patter, do the news, and introduce the music, mainly the latest hits in Israel. The show is lively and fast-moving.

"We've just got the top 30 list from Tel Aviv," said Rosensweig.

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Organizations and People

Ontario Lieutenant Governor Lincoln Alexander opens the Multicultural History Centre. [Jeff Rosen photo]

Ethnic centre opens

TORONTO —

The Multicultural History Society of Ontario celebrated its 10th anniversary recently by opening the newly renovated Multicultural History Centre at 43 Queen's Park Crescent E.

Ontario Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander, the society's patron, officially opened the centre as representatives from various ethnic groups gathered round. He praised Canada's ethnic groups for making it a great country.

Stephen Speisman, director of Toronto Jewish Congress/Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region Archives, told The CJN, "The centre provides an opportunity for people working in the ethnic communities to get together and work on projects of mutual concern."

The MHSO was founded in 1976 to preserve and record the province's immigrant and ethnic history. During the past 10 years it has collected volumes of material on numerous immigrant groups including Jewish, Egyptian, Lebanese, Islamic, Russian, Polish and Czech.

For the past eight years it has been one of the tenants of 43 Queen's Park Cres. In January of this year it began to renovate the building to serve as the Multicultural History Centre.

The renovated building, constructed in 1879, houses an exhibition gallery, a seminar room, a display of MHSO publications, a library, documentary collection, reading room and the administrative offices of MHSO.

The Multicultural History Centre provides space for ongoing displays of photography, art and artifacts. Until Dec. 15, the gallery will have an exhibition of photographs by Toronto photographer Vincent Pietropaolo, entitled Multicultural Ontario.

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Peace Medal to Brownstone

By JEFF ROSEN

Prof. Meyer Brownstone

TORONTO —

Prof. Myer Brownstone, director of University of Toronto's urban and community studies program, was recently awarded the 1986 Lester B. Pearson Medal of Peace for his work with Oxfam Canada.

The award is presented annually to an individual to commemorate former Prime Minister Pearson's interest in peace and his support for refugees and international development.

Brownstone, a native of Winnipeg, has been national chairman of Oxfam Canada for the past 10 years and a member for the last 20. It is a non-governmental organization that provides aid to Third World countries and special projects in Canada working with Native people and special education groups.

Brownstone said he was very surprised to receive the honor as he did not know his name was submitted this year.

"It means the work we've been doing has received prominent recognition," he said.

Oxfam Canada is funded by private subscriptions and, for some projects, private contributions are matched by government funds.

Brownstone is involved in Scientists for Peace at U of T, is a member of the Council of Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, an executive member of the Association for Canadian Policy in the Caribbean and Central America, was coordinator of the Ecoville International Research Project in Latin America and a member of the presidential commission on decentralization in Tanzania.

Civil rights group sponsors contest

TORONTO —

The Jewish Civil Rights Educational Foundation of Canada, an outgrowth of the Canadian Committee of Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, is sponsoring the 2nd annual Arthur Maloney Prize for Soviet Jewry.

The award, named for the co-founder of the Committee, is given to the author of the best legal essay on Soviet Jewry and carries a $500 prize.

According to Bert Raphael, the current chairman of the 600-member Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, the competition is open to any law student or lawyer who has practiced law for no more than six years.

Entries must be at least 5,000 words long and "demonstrate excellence through the preparation of a learned paper or in the art of advocacy in connection with the cause of Soviet Jewry."

Entrants will be judged on originality, research, clarity, effectiveness in relating legal issues to Soviet Jewry and emphasis on solutions. Entries must be submitted during the 1987 calendar year.

The prize is named for Arthur Maloney, a founding director of the committee, one of Canada's leading trial lawyers, a past president of the Advocates Society, Ontario's first Ombudsman and a former Conservative Member of Parliament for Parkdale. Maloney died in 1983.

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Amal programs praised

TORONTO —

The special role of the Amal school network in providing vocational training for thousands of Israelis was stressed by Israeli Education Minister Yitzhak Navon in a meeting with representatives of the Canadian Friends of Amal during his recent visit to Toronto.

If Israel is to maintain its status as a modern industrial nation, it must continue to train people to take their place in a technologically-oriented society, Navon said.

Amal programs help transform youth from disadvantaged areas into productive members of society and also help meet the needs of the Israel Defence Forces for technically trained manpower, he said.

Navon pointed out, however, that with cuts in the education budget, Amal schools have not been able to maintain their high standards and obtain the new equipment they require.

"The budget cuts prevent the Israeli government from doing this and the schools must rely on outside support from organizations like Canadian Friends of Amal," the education minister said.

He made special note of the fact that 18 of the schools in the system were built from Canadian funds and stressed the necessity for Canadians to support and maintain these particular schools.

Navon was then presented with a scroll commemorating his visit by Alfred Magerman, national vice-president of the Canadian Friends of Amal.

Magerman paid tribute to the minister and all that he has achieved in Israel including his "great personal contribution to education." He told Navon that in his honor the Toronto Canadian Friends of Amal had presented an annual scholarship for a student at the Amal schools.

Israeli Education Minister Yitzhak Navon receives a scroll from Aldfred Magerman, national vice-president of Canadian Friends of Amal.

Evening of Yiddish culture planned to honor Lipa Green

TORONTO —

The 10th anniversary of the passing of Lipa Green, a well known activist on behalf of Yiddish and Yiddish culture, will be marked by an evening of Yiddish culture at the Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. at 8 p.m. on Dec. 7.

Hadassa Kestin

It is being organized by Yiddish Culture Council and the Committee for Yiddish and Yiddish Culture of Toronto Jewish Congress, both which Green helped found, with the cooperation of the Lipa Green family. The YCC has offered a winter series of lectures for the past 30 years in which outstanding Yiddish authors, critics and educators participate.

The program will feature renowned Israeli actress Hadassa Kestin delivering dramatic readings from the works of prominent Jewish writers and poets.

J.B. Salsberg will speak on the "unique involvement" of Green in Yiddish cultural affairs.

Lipa Green

While Green received limited schooling, he loved and was dedicated to every branch of modern Jewish and Yiddish culture. In the 1920s he briefly experimented with the presentation of dramatized poetry readings.

Following the death of his wife, Green, a founder of Greenwin Construction Company, began thinking of some cultural legacy to leave to the Jewish community. While he was unable to see his dream come true before he died in December 1976, his sons Al and Harold carried on and in 1983 the Lipa Green Building for Jewish Communal Services opened.

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Organizations and People

Sick Children Centre eyes $50 million

Hospital closing in on its fund raising goal

TORONTO —

What is described by its chairman as the largest fund raising campaign for a Canadian hospital ever, is well on its way to its $50 million goal for the new Hospital For Sick Children Centre.

Dr. Reva Gerstein, vice-chairman of the hospital and director of the Hospital For Sick Children Foundation is heading the massive effort to provide the revenue within a year.

Cost of the entire project is $150 million, with some $90 million to be provided by the Ontario government, says Gerstein.

Though already half way to the goal through donations by corporations, and the hospital "family," Gerstein said the hospital is asking the public to raise $5 million, and "we are almost there.

"We want to develop a sense of ownership particularly with young people and it ensures their future if they have a sense of ownership, if they can identify with it.

"We have the cooperation of almost all the high schools from Oshawa to past Oakville and we're working with the cadets so we're getting involvement of the young people.

"We want to make it belong to everybody. We want to give a sense of ownership to every racial group. The Hospital For Sick Children cuts across all groups and across the country and the world."

Gerstein emphasizes she would like the Jewish community to share in that sense of ownership in the hospital. Without taking away from local Jewish agencies or Israel, "it is part of the responsibility for those of us who live here."

Construction on the new centre is scheduled to begin with the demolition of the existing McMaster Building and parking garage by February 1987.

Dr. Reva Gerstein

Building of the new facility should begin by June 1987 and should be completed by late 1990 or early 1991, she says.

The new centre will include 500,000 sq. ft. with eight stories above ground and a service floor and four levels of parking below ground.

Five floors will have beds for 466 patients, mostly in single rooms with a small bathroom and a bunk bed to accommodate parents.

A 60-bed neonatal intensive care will be located on the third floor, and a 44-bed pediatric intensive care unit will be located on the second floor, with a new, larger emergency department and admitting offices on the main floor.

The new hospital will have more room for outpatients, food services, and materials management, according to a hospital release. It will be fully united with the three existing wings of the hospital.

Architects of the project are Zeidler Roberts Partnership of Toronto and Karlsberger & Associates Inc. of Columbus, Ohio. The design features a central atrium with a glass roof. Glass-encased elevators will rise up the centre of the atrium, with walkways connecting at each level.

"The idea is to bring the outside in and you take away the anxiety," says Gerstein.

Gerstein encourages Jewish organizations to contact the campaign office to become involved with the project.

For more information, call Suzanne O'Connell, campaign coordinator at (416) 598-6222; or for contributions, write: The Hospital For Sick Children Centre, 555 University Ave. Campaign Office, Toronto, M5G 1X8.

Funds raised to help sick child

TORONTO —

Funds continue to be raised for 16-month-old Jerusalemite Ofir Savir who is arriving here Dec. 7 for critical heart surgery.

Dr. Robert Freedom, of the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children, will operate on Ofir about two weeks later to correct the complete transposition of the great heart vessels with which the child was born.

Freedom has performed several such operations before. Sick Kids is one of the few hospitals in the world equipped for the operation.

Ofir's parents, an Israeli air force captain and a schoolteacher, will accompany him, leaving a newborn child behind with a wetnurse. Ofir is expected to remain in hospital for three weeks after surgery to recover. Private nursing and follow-up care in Israel will also be necessary.

Ofir was born at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, where he underwent cardiac catherization at the age of one day. He was subsequently put through other procedures and another catherization, but it was determined that major surgery was necessary for him to develop normally.

While the medical costs are being covered by various funds, the Savirs need financial assistance for their travel costs and accommodations in Toronto. Donations, for which tax receipts are being issued, are being accepted by The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation, 3089 Bathurst St., Suite 205, Toronto M6A 2A4; (416) 781-3584.

Ofir Savir

Dotan to speak at shul

TORONTO —

She's been described as the first Jewish woman general since the prophetess Deborah made war against the Canaanites 3,000 years ago.

At 39 years of age, a mother of three and a career officer, Brigadier-General Amira Dotan serves as a role model for young Israeli women.

Changing the way Israeli girls think of themselves, their roles and the jobs they can do — both inside and outside the army — is one of Dotan's priorities in her role as head of Israel's Women's Corps.

Dotan will speak on "The Evolving Status of Women in the Israel Defence Forces" at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 27.

The public is invited to attend the program, sponsored by the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers in Israel.

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UJA CAMPAIGN LIFE-LINE

All lined up for photo at Investment Division function held recently at the Sheraton Centre, are from the left: Brian Vyner, Norman Levine, Robbie Goldberg, Marshall Cohen (guest speaker), Neil Nisker, Harold Wolkin and Allen Eisen.

The passing of **Sam Shulman** who was the staff professional responsible for the Synagogue Division campaign, is a great loss to his friends and colleagues.

During his eight years with UJA Sam earned the love and respect of his co-workers as well as the many lay people with whom he came in contact in the course of his campaign duties.

Sam will be remembered for his warmth, his generosity of spirit and the courage with which he faced the long months of his illness.

Our thoughts and heartfelt condolences go out to his wife Rose, his three sons and all the members of his extended family.

He will be missed.

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Sam, we know, would be the first to say "life goes on," and as we approach the campaign countdown to the official closing on December 12, there's much activity to report.

The next big event is **Clean Sweep Week** which gets under way on Sunday, December 7 through Wednesday, December 10, chaired by **Carol Kassel** and **Alan Sandler.**

Both are proven veterans in many strategic areas of the campaign — from setting up and running canvasser orientation programs for Carol, to involvement in the Accountants Division and the chairing of Super Sunday for Alan.

The opening on Sunday has been reserved for board members of agencies which receive UJA funding through Toronto Jewish Congress allocations; UJA past chairmen and the TJC executive. Brunch will be served we're told.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings will begin with dinner at 6:00 and on to the telephones.

Divisional colleagues will have an opportunity for group participation in the telethon at times designated by their chairmen who will inform each of their division members of the date set aside for them.

There will be lots of fun and prizes to be had throughout the four days, you can count on it.

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In the "something different" category, you can't beat the Young Adults Division. Their programs are usually unique and offbeat.

Take for instance the program they've scheduled for Sunday, November 23. It's an evening of pure entertainment at **Yuk Yuk's Uptown**, 2335 Yonge Street, near Eglinton.

Featured buffoons are **Howard Busgang** and **Simon Rakoff.** Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the cover charge is $10.00. For more information contact **Julea Gasner** or **Carol Handelman** at 635-2883.

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Another super event on the horizon is coming up on Thursday, December 4, under the auspices of the Advertising and Public Relations Division chaired by **Pegi Gross** and **Jerome Shore.**

It is cocktails and dinner in the Essex Room of the Sheraton Centre, with special guest **Alan Pesky,** Chairman of the Coalition to Free Soviet Jews.

Pesky, if you will recall, was both visible and audible at the Reagan-Gorbachev summit in Iceland, where he spoke out on behalf of Soviet Jewry.

A man of diverse interests, Alan Pesky is Vice-chairman of Scali, McCabe, Sloves International, an advertising agency, and led a recent American expedition in a climb of Mount Everest.

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Harold Malitzky who heads the Education Professionals Division, reports the completion of well over 500 cards, showing an overall 13% increase.

The Association of General Studies Teachers in Hebrew Day Schools, has forwarded a gift in the amount of $1,150, for which we thank the president **Sandi Pearl** and all the teachers involved.

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Podiatrists who attended the first UJA program for the division two weeks ago, included in addition to guest speaker **Dr. Tom Stevens,** Chairman **Dr. Sheldon Nadal** and Health Professions co-ordinator **Dr. Harry Krakowsky** — Drs. **Allen Frankel, Robert Goldberg, Daryl Hochman, Ronald Klein, Hartley Miltchin** and **Neil H. Naftolin.**

Hillel calls for guidelines in alcohol education

By
RON CSILLAG

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont. — Hillel, the Canada-wide organization for Jewish students, has suggested the Ontario government draw up educational guidelines for schools on the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

As well, manufacturers of alcoholic beverages should contribute funds to alcohol awareness programs on university campuses, Hillel recently told the Ontario Advisory Committee on Liquor Regulations.

The committee, composed of members of the liquor board and chaired by MPP Steve Offer (Lib.- Mississauga North), was set up by commercial and consumer affairs minister Monte Kwinter to study the marketing, sale and regulation of liquor in Ontario. It is scheduled to report to Kwinter by the end of the year.

Hillel represents over 25,000 Jewish students nationally and some 10,000 in Ontario.

Field trips to jails

Hillel's oral submission to the committee, made here by Diane Wise, national chairperson of Hillel's Student Secretariat, called on Ontario's education ministry to introduce guidelines dealing with alcohol education in the public and secondary school curriculum.

"Such a component can include exploring the importance of the wine and beer industries to the economy of Ontario. It may also include field trips to wineries or breweries to allow students to view the production of certain types of alcoholic beverages.

"Yet it also should include a section dealing with the penalties a society will place on those who abuse alcohol."

Hillel suggested that field trips to jails, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and to the Addiction Research Foundation might be effective early deterrents to alcohol abuse.

But alcohol, said Hillel, "should not be viewed negatively" in light of the Jewish tradition, which "has viewed wine as an integral part of ceremonial celebrations.

"Jewish children are brought up with an understanding and recognition of the use of wine in Jewish tradition and teaching." Among Jews, "a respect for alcohol is taught at an early age, which contributes toward a positive understanding of its use."

However, even Jewish social service agencies are experiencing increased demand for counseling and treatment for alcohol-related matters, Hillel said.

As well, education on alcohol should begin in the home and young people should not be hidden from the problem.

The other recommendations the group made were:

- while Hillel supports government efforts to put reasonable controls on the sale, distribution and marketing of alcohol, it does not advocate lowering the drinking age. Rather, the earlier education begins, "the better the effects will be when young people attain the legal drinking age."
- having manufacturers of wine, beer and liquor voluntarily contribute funds to alcohol awareness programs on campuses. The funding would be proportional to the amount of money spent to promote the product on campus.
- Ontario's Liquor Licencing Board should monitor the advertising and promotion of alcohol targeted at campuses. Some manufacturers have viewed the campus as "an all-out war zone" for promoting their product.
- kosher wines should be more widely available on campus. The availability of kosher wines on campus is "quite restricted."
- university canteens should promote Canadian wines.
- programs dealing with drinking and driving should be maintained.

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U.S. rabbi lectures in Toronto

Be honest when telling children about death

By JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

When explaining death to children it is important to be honest and not to make up stories which would cater to their world of fantasy, says a noted author on how to cope with death.

"When we speak with young people we should listen to where they're comig from," Rabbi Earl Grollman of Belmont Mass., said during a recent interview with The CJN. "We shouldn't play games or use euphemisms, like 'the person is going away on a long journey.' The most important thing is to be simple, forthright and tender. They can understand if we explain it the best way we know how."

Grollman was in Toronto for a lecture on young people and how they handle death, sponsored by The Hospital for Sick Children and the Cystic Fibrosis Allied Health Professionals. He has served as spiritual leader of Bethel Temple Centre in Belmont for the past 35 years and has given lectures around the world on how to cope with death and dying.

Grollman became involved with the subject over 20 years ago after a close friend died and the children asked him what they should do. Unable to find any books explaining death to children, Grollman soon after became involved in a research project on children and death and, in 1965, wrote his first book, Explaining Death to Children.

"When somebody asks me a question I can't answer I write a book," said Grollman, who recently completed his 17th book which goes into many types of crises, such as divorce, suicide and dealing with aging parents.

Grollman said because of television, children today understand more about death then their parents, rabbis or teachers ever did. By the time a young person reaches the age of 15, Grollman said, he has seen 17,000 deaths on TV. Despite being more aware of it, Grollman said young people are probably less exposed to death on a day-to-day basis because of the breakdown of the extended family.

"They want to be more tuned into death, but there's nobody to talk to."

Grollman said there is no special age at which children should be exposed to death. He said that it is better for a child to go to a funeral and say goodbye as long as he is told what is going on and is brought into the service. The important thing, he stressed, is not to shroud it in mysticism and secrecy.

"Good mental health is not the denial of tragedy, but teaching people how to deal with tragedy," he said. "Margaret Mead said it best: 'When a person is born we rejoice, when a person marries we jubilate, but when a person dies we pretend nothing has happened.'

"Something has happened," he added. "It is important that we allow ourselves to know some of the legitimate feelings of loss. When a person dies it means a part of us has also died and life will never be the same."

Grollman said synagogues have an important part to play in death education. As well as taking children to funeral homes and cemeteries, they can encourage young people to remain in shul during the yizkor memorial service. Recalling his own childhood, Grollman said he grew up in a very traditional synagogue where it was expected that if children remained during yizkor the Angel of Death would come and take their own loved ones away.

"I try to explain to my own congregation how important it is to remain," he said. "Even if our own parents are living, all of us are grieving for someone. There are 6 million Jews who don't have anyone to say yizkor for them. You can't hide death from children."

Yeshiva U will honor Kerzner

TORONTO —

Businessman-philanthropist Joseph Kerzner will receive an honorary doctorate at Yeshiva University on Dec. 14 for his longstanding support which includes endowing its new school of business with a chair in accounting.

Kerzner, a chartered accountant and president of Kerzner Properties Inc., most recently established the Joseph Kerzner Chair in Accounting at YU, the only business school under Jewish auspices in the Western hemisphere.

He also helped establish the Bora Laskin Scholarship Fund for deserving Canadian students at Yu and the Marion Bessin Liver Cancer Research Centre at YU's Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Kerzner and a number of U.S. supporters of the school will be honored at a special convocation and dinner. Tribute will be paid by Norman Lamm, celebrating his 10th anniversary as YU president. The dinner is the culmination of YU's century campaign, an observance of its 100th anniversary through a drive to raise $100 million.

Joseph Kerzner

Kerzner has also raised funds for the United Jewish Appeal, State of Israel Bonds, Mount Sinai Hospital and the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, as well as for many Israeli institutions including the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science, Hebrew University, Bar-Ilan University and Shaare Zedek Hospital.

Kerzner is a Fellow of Brandeis University and a member of the board of overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

He established the Sam Kerzner Scholarship at Ner Israel Yeshiva College to honr the memory of his father.

Kerzner is a member of the board of governors of the Mount Sinai Hospital of Toronto, having served on the research committee and building and finance committee. He is also a member of the board of governors of the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care.

A past president anc chairman of the board of Beth Tzedec Congregation, he is also a member of the board of governors of Eitz Chaim Hebrew Day Schools.

He serves as a member of Mount Sinai Lodge, and Mount Sinai chapters of the Masonic Order, and the Empire Forest Hill Lodge of B'nai B'rith, in Toronto and Temple Beth El Synagogue in West Palm Beach.

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Special agency sought to track down Nazis

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
The sincerity of the Deschenes inquiry into Nazi war criminals may be measured by five criteria, including its willingness to recommend establishment of a special unit to conduct investigations in Canada, according to Sol Littman.

Littman, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, said the past history of inadequate police investigations into Nazis living openly in Canada points to the need to set up an independent body modeled on the American Office of Special Investigations. That agency would include investigators, historians and prosecutors.

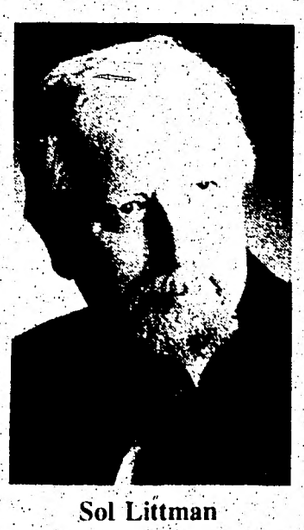
Speaking at the University of Toronto as part of Holocaust Education Month, Littman said without creation of a bureau of specialists "the biological clock (of elderly criminals and witnesses) is likely to run out before justice can be done."

Littman said other points to look for when the commission submits its report on Nov. 30 are its findings on whether there are sufficient numbers of alleged war criminals to justify action; whether Canadian law is equipped to deal with war criminals and whether there can be changes made to the law to cope with the problem; and whether evidence located behind the Iron Curtain should be available to Canadian investigators.

Littman told an audience of about 75 that those who opposed creation of the inquiry in the first place can be expected to mount an active political lobbying campaign to derail moves to implement the recommendations, arguing it would only stir up inter-ethnic enmity.

In the end, he said, the battle to bring war criminals to justice will be a political one.

Most of the war criminals living in Canada were members of pro-fascist, anti-semitic groups in occupied countries throughout Europe, he said. In many cases they instituted their own "pogroms" against Jews and later volunteered to take part in mass shootings and as concentration camp guards.



Sol Littman

After the war, they joined the masses of legitimate refugees and made their way to Canada and the United States.

"Screening techniques were amateurish and full of holes," Littman said. The RCMP officers sent to Europe to check on immigration applicants relied on U.S. and British agencies.

By 1948 political considerations led the Western governments to halt the process of war crimes trials that had begun in Nuremberg in 1946. Seeking to get Germany "on-line" in the Cold War against the Soviet Union, the Western allies listened to West German leader Konrad Adenauer, who convinced them that to do so, they would have to cease prosecuting war criminals.

The Americans and British agreed, and they convinced their allies to drop cases pending against those charged with war crimes, Littman said. Canada, at the behest of Great Britain, dropped cases against 35 men charged with war crimes against Canadian soldiers.

Littman said he is convinced there may have been as many as 3,000 Nazis and collaborators who made their way to Canada, of whom 2,000 are still alive and active.

To date, he has submitted about 475 names to the Deschenes Commission, each of which is guilty "of a crime worthy of prosecution."

Responding to questions about the use of "Soviet evidence" in light of Soviet claims against Nicholas Daniloff (a Moscow reporter for a U.S. newsmagazine charged by the Soviets with spying for the U.S. and later released), Littman said there are no cases where Soviet-supplied evidence in charges against alleged war criminals has been found to be forged or false. That evidence is subject to scrutiny by Western courts based on their own standards of reliability, he said.

He said evidence from behind the Iron Curtain consists of captured Nazi documents that outlines slaughter of Jews as well as the testimony of survivors who witnessed the events. Arguments against use of Soviet-supplied material is often "a deliberate attempt to limit evidence against war criminals" because they know the slaughter took place in Eastern Europe, and that's where much of the evidence is located, he stated.

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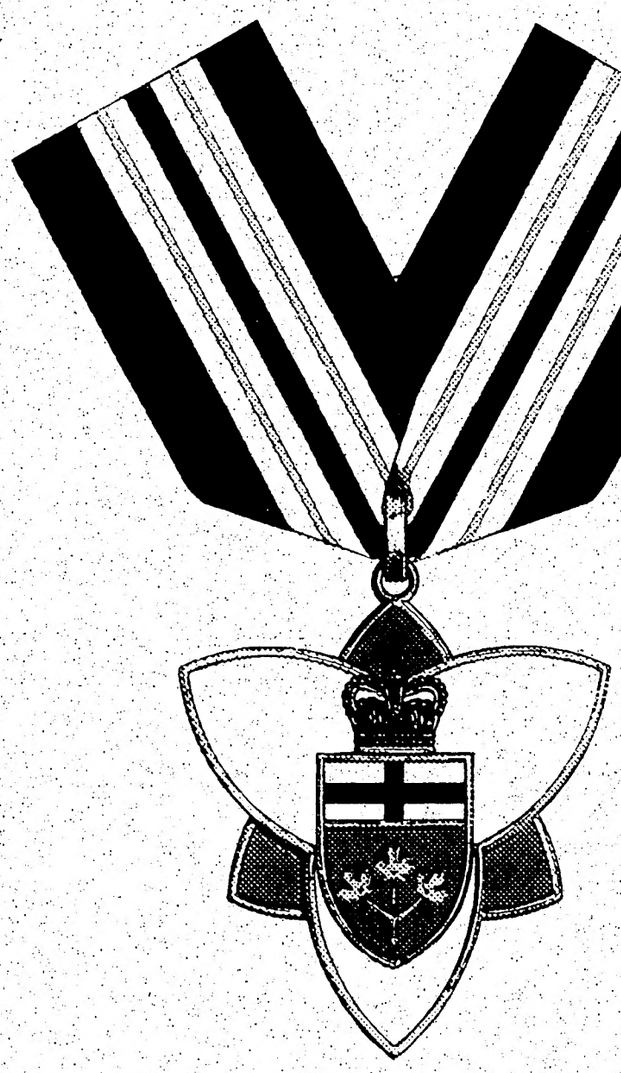

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Presenting their wares at the show will be most of Toronto's top names in tried and true fashions: Flying Down to Rio, Amelia Earhart, Brava, etc.

According to show director Shawn Barbe LeBlanc, there's no one clique or fashion set that attends the show.

"The Nostalgic Clothing Show and Sale is about individual sartorial style . . . it's eclectic and so are the people who come. You might say that the show is where the elite meet the neat.

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Maj.-Gen. Reginald Lewis (left) takes the salute from Jewish War Veterans marchers just before they enter the Shaarei Tefillah sanctuary. Beside Lewis is Soviet air attache, Col. Vladimir Dombrovski. [Graphic Artists photo]

Soviet attends ceremonies

Jewish War Vets remember

TORONTO —

The presence of a special unannounced guest made poignantly complete the annual march and Remembrance Day ceremonies held recently by the Jewish War Veterans of Canada.

Col. Vladimir Dombrovski, the Soviet air attache to Canada joined several consuls-general, police officers, Canadian Forces Maj.-Gen. Reginald Lewis (Ret.), representatives from Israel and the veterans of several wars in paying homage to those who served and those who fell.

Some 400 marchers led by Branch 66 Royal Canadian Legion Pipe Band started at Glencairn and Bathurst and headed north for a ceremony at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation.

Inside the sanctuary, Rabbi Moshe Stern conducted a service including El Mole Rachamim and Kaddish and a candle-lighting ceremony in which everyone — including the Soviet and Israeli representatives — lit a final candle to peace.

Toronto post commander Sam Pasternack says public reaction to the service has been very positive. He estimates that as many as 650 participated in the service.

Pasternack notes that 25 veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars took part, and said they told him the Jewish War Veterans had given them a sense of support and direction.

Maj.-Gen. Lewis commented to Pasternack that he was very pleased to see so many older veterans showing pride in their service.

It is incumbent upon everyone to pay homage to those who died so that we may live freely, and very important that children be taught this lesson, said Pasternack.

"Maybe if we instil in our kids that war is not gung-ho as on television, maybe they will work harder for peace."

Rae: Nursing home rights bill needed

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Nursing home residents in Ontario should be protected by a Bill of Rights guaranteeing such things as equality of care, privacy and good nutrition says Bob Rae leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party.

"Homeowners know their rights and so do tenants. But once someone enters a nursing home, do they know what their rights are," Rae said.

Speaking to a capacity crowd at a recent breakfast meeting of the Beth Sholom Brotherhood, Rae said that people in a nursing home often do not have the security of knowing where their belongings would go if something happened to them and most residents do not know where to turn if they have a problem or complaint.

One member of the group, comprised mostly of senior citizens, said that if someone does complain about nursing home conditions they could become a victim.

Rae agreed and said that with a more accountable system it would be acceptable for residents or their relatives to voice complaints.

Rae noted that under the Progressive Conservative government, the nursing home field was left largely to the private sector and as a result nursing home operators became businessmen. "This means they report to no one and no one knows where their money goes," said Rae.

He added that when these private operators are asked how they spend public money granted to them, they reply that it is their business how they spend the money.

He said, however, that the Baycrest Centre is run as a charity rather than a private institution and everything is out in the open.

"I believe that the community should be given more power in running these institutions so that everything is open and above board and everyone knows just what their rights are."

The NDP leader said that as an aging society we are in the middle of a crisis. "We are trying to do to aging and death what the Victorian era did to sex — deny it exists," he stated.

As a result, he said, people rely on institutions to keep these people out of sight.

Rae said the way we care for our aging population must be changed so that more people can stay at home. "The elderly should not be placed in institutions just because it's cheaper," he said.

He called for a service within the community that would provide the elderly and the infirm with such services as shopping, cleaning and cooking. "That would be a lot cheaper than the $450 a day it costs to keep someone in an institution," said Rae.

Rae said that "we must stop emphasizing institutions unless absolutely necessary and always think of a human solution."

He favors eliminating mandatory retirement at age 65 as long as those who wish can retire early. "What is so sacred about age 65?" he asked.

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The Ontario government may establish a bill of rights to protect senior citizens in nursing homes, Health Minister Murray Elston said recently.

Elston said the proposed bill would be part of the planned changes to the Nursing Homes Act, expected to be introduced later this year.

UJA development director exults:

Community work rewards

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Four years ago Neil Silvert abandoned what might have been a lucrative career in industrial sales and marketing to go into Jewish communal work and fund raising.

Today, his face lights up as he declares "I've never been so rewarded in my life."

Neil Silvert

He might happily have continued in his original career had it not been for a trip to Israel in 1980 "but those three weeks changed my life." Indeed, "after being in this field for almost four years," he adds, "I know my decision was the right one."

Silvert came here originally in 1984 as a Practicum student to help out with the 1984 UJA campaign.

Practicum is the Council of Jewish Federations' profession leadership training program and Silvert was one of the first five students to be accepted in 1983. After working out of the Toronto office of UIA Ontario Region, he came to Hamilton as a UIA staff person and his training continued as he stayed on as the 1985 campaign assistant.

When the program finished in 1986, he accepted an offer from Hamilton UJA leadership to become the new director of development.

Actually, the move to Hamilton was a homecoming for Silvert. He was born here in 1954 though the family moved to Kitchener when he was 4, and later to Toronto. His grandfather, Joe Alexandroff, is still an active member of the Hamilton community.

He met his wife, Miriam Gulko of Montreal, the daughter of Harris Gulko, former JNF executive vice-president and now director of development with Ezrath Nashim Hospital in Jerusalem, at York University. She is a special education teacher and professional story teller with Minnow Books and the couple have a 3-year old son, Jason Benjamin.

About 85% of his job, explains Silvert, is running the UJA campaign. He views fund raising not as "schnorring," but much like sales and marketing "except that in this case the product is the health and welfare of the Jewish people."

The rest of his work is devoted to "the development of human resources under the direction of federation."

A leadership development program for young adults aged 25 to 40 is entering its third year and "picking up more and more. What I like about it," says Silvert, "is that I've been able to work with some very fine young leaders." The program is still only in the planning stage but eventually, he hopes, "it will become the in-thing to do."

Outgoing campaign chairpersons Steve Yanover and Sylvia Klein "have done a phenomenal job and made my work a lot easier and from (former executive director) Sam Soifer I learned quite a lot, not only about fund raising but about people.

Now that Sid Brail (JCC and federation executive director) is here," continues Silvert, "I'm learning quite a lot about other disciplines. The agreement was that I should learn about Jewish communal work." Eventually he hopes to make aliya.

How does he like his job? "Getting up in the morning is a joy these days," he beams.

But he worries about the future. "One major concern is that I don't see a lot of people my age coming into this field" and he can't understand why "when I see how much fun we're having."

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Scharansky negotiator will speak

TORONTO —

Rabbi Ronald Greenwald, who was a key figure in the international negotiations that resulted in the release of Anatoly (Natan) Scharansky, will talk about his role in that event in a public lecture at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 at Bnai Torah Congregation.

Greenwald, a former yeshiva teacher and currently a commodities broker in Monsey, NY, has been involved in a number of international prisoner exchanges involving Jews since 1978.

His friendship with Wolfgang Vogel, an East German lawyer who has had an important role in many East-West spy swaps, has been a positive factor in the rabbi's successful efforts in achieving the release of prisoners in various countries.

Organizers say Greenwald's lecture will focus on his more than 25 meetings with Vogel and the fulfillment of his promise to Avital Scharansky to not rest until her husband was released from the Soviet Union.

The lecture is being sponsored by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, the National Conference of Synagogue Youth and the Adult Education Committee of Bnai Torah Congregation.

Race panel seeking members

TORONTO —

Etobicoke City Council is currently seeking members for its newly formed multicultural and race relations committee.

The mandate of the committee is "to promote the full and equal participation of all ethnic and racial groups in the political, social and economic life of the city; to eliminate any barriers which prevent this participation; and to institute structures and systems to reflect its ethnic and racial diversity."

The committee will consist of a maximum of 20 members of which eight will be chosen from the community. In addition, there will be seven institutional and five political members.

The committee will likely meet monthly and subcommittees will be formed to address specific issues.

Applicants must be 18 years of age and over, and live or work in Etobicoke. They must be able to demonstrate an interest and relevant experience or expertise in the area of race relations and multiculturalism.

Those interested in becoming community representatives should submit applications to the City of Etobicoke, R.F. Cloutier, 399 The West Mall, Etobicoke M9C 2Y2. Applications must be submitted no later than Nov. 20. Council will choose these eight representatives on Dec. 1.

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Nehama Ben-Horin charms everyone

Envoy's "partner" recalls event-packed career

By
CYNTHIA ENGEL

OTTAWA —

Nehama Ben-Horin has charmed all those with whom she has come in contact.

The wives of Israeli diplomats are "real partners" to their husbands, she says. And with 35 years in the field the wife of Israel's ambassador to Canada speaks from a position of authority.

In 1951, her husband joined the diplomatic corps and the couple was posted to New York where their son, Yoav, was born. The following year, Eliashiv Ben-Horin was transferred to the fledgling embassy of Israel in Washington as first secretary.

"A fantastic embassy," she says. "Vibrant. Full of young people. (Teddy) Kollek was the minister, (Chaim) Herzog, now the President of Israel, was the military attache . . . and Mrs. Herzog taught us how to set up a table."

During their "wonderful 2½ years in Washington," the busy young wife and mother made time to attend university to study psychology and sociology. After a brief sojourn in Israel, the Ben-Horins found themselves, in 1954, posted to their country's embassy in Turkey.

"Very exciting," Mrs. Ben-Horin recalls. "It was during the time of the Baghdad Pact and very important for Israel to have a presence in a Moslem country."

The Ben-Horins second son, Asaf, was born in 1957 and in 1960 Eliashiv Ben-Horin was named ambassador to Burma. A most interesting posting, Nehama Ben-Horin remembers, in part because the embassy also served Nepal and Ceylon, and because Israel had chosen Burma as the first country in which to institute its Mashav Program (International Cooperation with the Third World).

It was during their stay in Burma that Israel's Prime Minister and her foreign minister paid a 17-day visit.

"On one of their trips around the country (David) Ben-Gurion and Golda (Meir) broke down and cried when they heard young Burmese children singing "Hevenu Shalom Aleichem," for them, she recalls, still affected by the emotion of that long ago moment.

In 1963, Israel's ministry of foreign affairs dispatched Ambassador and Mrs. Ben-Horin to Caracas, Venezuela, where the couple found a "warm, committed Jewish community" awaiting them. It was in Venezuela that Nehama Ben-Horin discovered the importance of Hadassah-WIZO outside of Israel and she has continued to be a staunch supporter of that organization ever since.

In her capacity as the wife of Israel's representative, she had the opportunity to help found, with the wife of the president of Venezuela, a school for Venezuela's street children. Called Shalom, the institution was realized with funds raised by the Venezuelan Jewish community.

This past summer, Mrs. Ben-Horin flew to Caracas to attend ceremonies celebrating the school's 20th anniversary. With obvious pride, she notes that, since the opening of the original school, four more branches have been founded.

The couple's next posting, West Germany, "was not easy . . . so close to Dachau." Her eyes mist as she recalls that, on the very day the Israeli athletes were to be feted at a reception in their honor, 11 of their number were murdered in Munich.

"Eliashiv was flown by helicopter to Munich. He took the bodies home to Israel for burial."

Nehama Ben-Horin watched the scene unfold on television, crying, as the games went on.

In West Germany she continued her efforts on behalf of WIZO and was pleased to find that the organization had many non-Jewish friends there.

Nehama Ben-Horin

As she had successfully in Venezuela, Mrs. Ben-Horin organized a Jewish history study group for the German-Jewish community. Later, in Belgium and now in Ottawa, she has done the same.

"Israelis never stop learning the Bible," she says. In fact, the President of Israel has a Bible class which the Ben-Horins attend whenever they are in Jerusalem.

In 1984, Eliashiv and Nehama Ben-Horin were posted to Ottawa, which she described as 'a lovely community.'

In Canada, she observes, "everything is dictated by things outside yourself. Distances. Weather conditions."

Looking back on a lifetime spent in the service of her country and having had the opportunity to observe Diaspora Jewry at close range, Nehama Ben-Horin has one fervent hope for world Jews: aliya.

"I think, if every Jewish family in the world had one member of the family make aliya, it would do so much for the Jewish world," she says.

"And I would like to see more Canadian Jews make the trip to Israel," she adds. "I cannot understand that 80% of Canadian Jews have not been there."

Brain disorders may yield to embryo cell transplants

By
MOURA WOLPERT

BURLINGTON, Ont. —

Are brain transplants possible? Not yet but, a Toronto researcher who spent a year at the Weizmann Institute told a group of people at the home of Anne Mandell that recent research has shown that nerve cells taken from an animal in the embryonic stage and placed into the brain of a mature animal will grow normally.

"And this," said Bill Milgram, associate professor in the division of life sciences at the Scarborough campus of the University of Toronto, "raises the truly exciting possibility that we might be able to deal with neurological diseseases (such as Alzheimer's) by means of transplanting embryonic cells."

mental capabilities, while Parkinson's Disease is caused by a chemical imbalance.

Transplanting part of a brain into another "is very difficult" but transplanting individual cells from one brain to another will work because, unlike with other organ transplants, there are no problems of rejection in the brain.

This, he said, "has incredible significance, because it means that not only can we transplant embryo cells to an adult brain but we don't have to worry about compatibility. And it even means "that it's possible to take cells from one species and place them into the brain of another species," Millgram said.

While the symptoms of Parkinson's Diseases can be treated by administering the deficient chemical, the disease cannot be cured. However, recent research with rats has demonstrated that "if we place neurons which release the same chemicals into the brain, the neurons will mature and will function and decrease the Parkinson's-like symptoms."

This raises the question of whether it would also produce recovery in cognitive disorders such as Alzheimer's Disease.

If the work being done in this field is successful, said Milgram, it suggests "very strongly" that eventually replacement therapy can become the means of treatment. "But there's still a lot of research to be done before this technique can be applied successfully in most cognitive disorders."

Milgram gives update

Milgram was giving an update on his research prior to the depature of Anne and Mark Mandell for Israel, where they will dedicate the Anne Kaplan Mandell Foundation in Neurobiological Research at the Weizmann Institute in November.

Mandell is a member of the board of the Canadian Friends of the Weizmann Institute and co-chairman of the Hamilton chapter.

Because of her interest in neurobiological diseases such as Parkinson's, the foundation was established specifically in the division in which Prof. Menachem Segal, with whom Milgram worked during 1984-85, is conducting his research, said Mandell in her opening remarks. "And all of us old heads here want to know how to put young brains into them."

With the aid of slides, Milgram explained that neurological disorders such as Alzheimer's Disease are caused by disfunctions in the specific area of the brain which is responsible for our

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Discard sentimentality

Key to furnishing in condo "feeling"

By MONICA SEGAL

Moving from a house into a condominium has become all the rage. If you've thought about selling the lawn mower and snow shovel and replacing them with a pool, tennis courts and ensuite bathroom . . . read on.

You've looked, compared, thought about locations, read 100 brochures and used up five tanks of gas. A few months and lots of aspirin later, you've found you're perfect condo. But is it? Will your furniture look right? Will it be as lovely as that model suite you fell in love with?

Before you start losing sleep, follow me.

Step one: Forget the model. Even if you want to furnish from scratch, you wouldn't want a carbon copy. And if you want to discard something, make sentimentality the first to go.

Face facts! That great lamp Uncle Marv gave you might not work.

Step two: Go back to the condo. Disregard the furnishings and try to "feel" the atmosphere. Is there a little voice saying "modern" or "traditional" or "open"?

Once you're certain of the "feeling" it gives off, you'll be able to plan your next moves. A suite that says "modern" will fall short of your expectations if you fill it up with country classic pieces.

On the other hand, it might be just the thing for a suite that's sunny and cozy with lots of atmosphere.

Step three: If you've started at the place and all you heard was silence, if you're unsure of what it's saying . . . call a decorator or designer.

Don't skimp on this and blow the entire thing. You don't have to sign a contract with the designer, just get a consultation.

If you've walked away sure of yourself, go back home and look at your furniture. Is it saying the same thing the condo did?

If you answer yes, consider sprucing up some things. All your pieces will look suddenly older when surrounded by fresh paint and carpet. Call a furniture cleaner etc.

If wooden pieces need touching up, wait until after the move. Even the best movers can slip up so why touch up scratches new when there will be more later on?

Since window sizes differ, you'll be needing new window treatments but once again, wait.

You can order before the move but make certain your suite is entirely finished. Taking measurements off builders plans is a definite no-no. Plans are always approximate and not to be taken as law.

Step four: If you heard the condo shout "modern" and your furniture screams back "traditional," you don't need another aspirin.

Upholstered pieces can be transformed by being rebuilt, not just reupholstered. That provincial sofa can be turned into an over stuffed piece and covered in a floral chintz pattern and no one will know.

Lamps can be overhauled with new shades. You can keep the wooden end tables and replace the coffee table with a glass and brass variety.

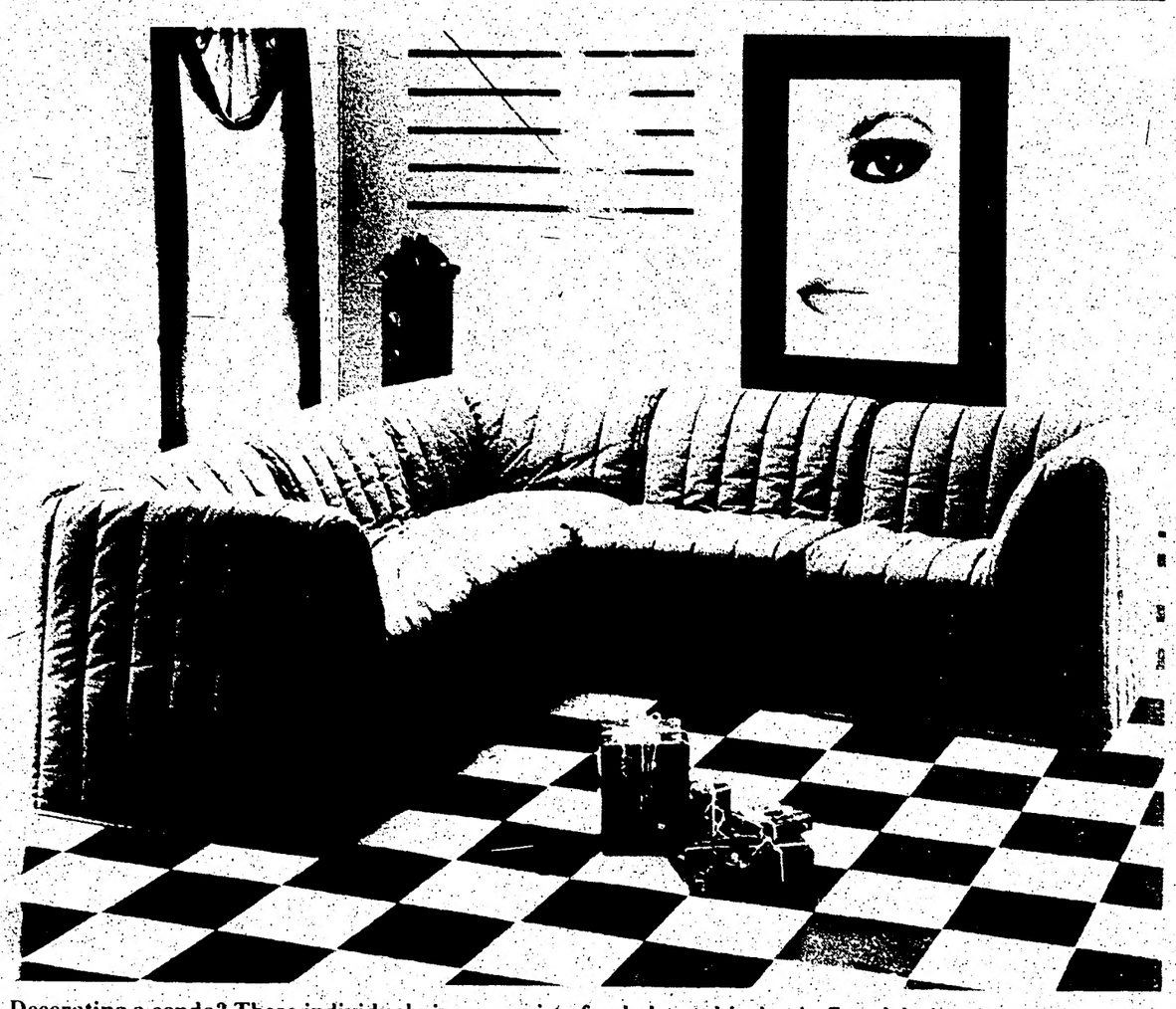
Buy a few polished cotton throw cushions. Get wicker baskets in your upholstery colors (or spray paint natural wicker).

Use the baskets to place your potted plants in. The list for small changes that can mean a big difference go on and on.

Just be honest with yourself when you appraise your things and use imagination. Remember that your furnishings can be changed to suit the condo, but the condo will not be altered to suit your furniture.

Step five: Make up a buffet menu. You have a house warming to arrange. It's going to be luxury and you've earned it!

[Monica Segal is an interior designer. She can be reached at 638-8911.]



Decorating a condo? These individual pieces consist of upholstered jacket in fluted design that fits on metal frame, with metal springs on seat and back, for luxurious comfort. From R.S. Furniture of Montreal.

Wall "system" functions grow

With increasing collecting in decreasing space, the common "bookshelf" has evolved into an uncommon centre for storage, show, TV-viewing and sound systems.

No longer for the exclusive and luxurious assignment of favorite reading, wall "systems" who serve all functions for storing, hoarding, cheerfully containing clutter camouflaging extravagant electronics and, in general, bringing order out of chaos — in the most fashionable new ways.

Says interior design advisor Frances Gray: "A home without a wall system is like a garage without a car — open to unspeakable abuse of space, an invitation to disorder and general mess."

Solutions to storage problems exist in abundance, she insists — modular units that divide or multiply to cover all or part of a wall, frame windows, doorways or mantles; or define space, such as with free-standing shelving.

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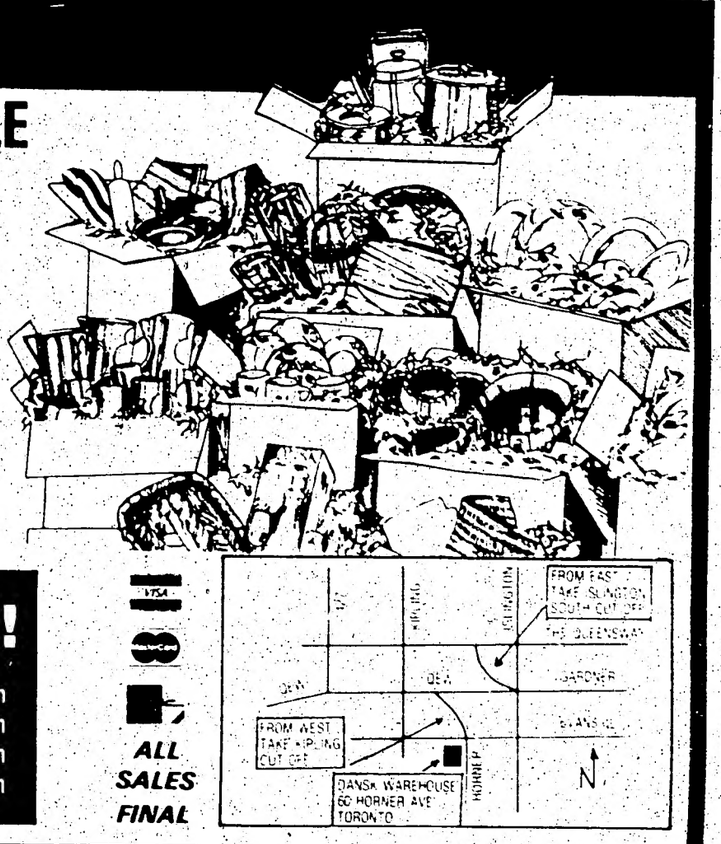

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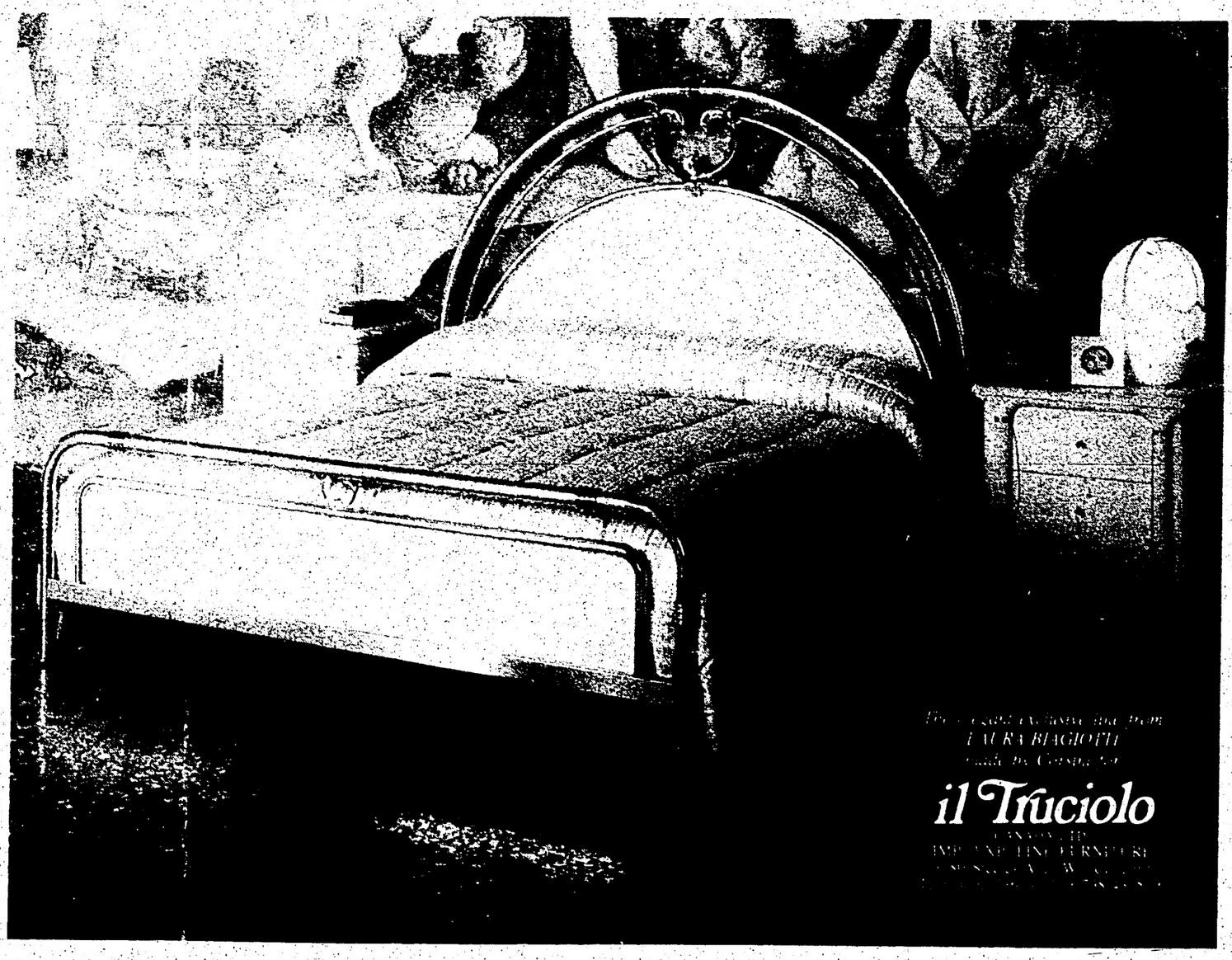

Home Living

Pluses in central vac

Although widely coveted for its convenience and efficiency, a central vacuum system is often discounted by even the pickiest of homeowners because of misconceptions about price, installation and operation.

According to a survey of manufacturers and suppliers, a common misunderstanding is that the system requires a central heating system for operation.

In fact, a vacuum system operates as a complete entity. A basic system comes with a power unit and canister (capacities range from three to seven gallons), about 30 ft. of hosing, approximately 40 ft. of in-wall tubing to carry dirt to the canister, two to three inlets, and a set of attachments which usually includes upholstery and dusting brushes, a crevice tool and a floor/carpet tool. Some suppliers provide a handy attachment carrying case.

The canister/power unit can be placed in the basement or garage. For extra convenience, many systems come with an inlet at the unit.

For most homes, an inlet per floor is sufficient, although master baths, because of their location, often require their own inlet.

The tubing is run from the power unit through walls or under stairs or through cold air ducts.

To vacuum, the user simply inserts the hosing into the inlet and the system is automatically activated.

Because of its size, the canister does not have to be emptied as often as conventional vacuums and, since most canisters do not have bags, the dirt can be deposited in a garbage bag.

Another misconception concerns price. Depending on the type and size, a basic system for an average home of 2,000 square feet can cost anywhere from $450 to $700, far lower than generally thought.

Extra tubing, elbows and inlets are available at additional costs as are such options as remote control heads power heads etc.

Installation charges are additional and vary with supplier. They generally begin at about $110 for an average home and would go up to $200 for a system with three inlets. One man does the work in about four hours with no damage to walls.

More expensive would be installation in a considerably older home or one with three floors.

Some advantages of a central vac are obvious — no lugging or tugging of a heavy conventional unit and easier stair cleansing.

Also to be considered is the more thorough cleaning provided by the powerful motor and that dirt and germs collected go into the container with no risk of escaping through the exhaust into a freshly cleaned room.

Canaroma European Bath Centres opened Toronto's largest bathroom showroom last week at Jane St. and Steeles Ave. On show is this Hollywood Suite which features V & R corner acrylic whirlpool with acrylic skirt and chrome trim; Patrician 1-piece toilet by Eljer; Plaza pedestal sink by American Standard; Showerlux shower door; imported European accessories including Omega gold and chrome collection by Doggi Dobba; Eljer faucets; and Castiglia floor and wall tiles by Ceramica 84.

More get advice from decorators

Not long ago, furnishing a home with the help of a professional decorator was the prerogative of older, upper-income clients.

Nowadays, busy 2-income professional couples and singles are also consulting decorators, as are families with young children who want to make their money go further, according to a recent study by the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID).

Besides the greater level of awareness that professional guidance is available, the increasing cost of decorating a home is also responsible for the growth of the field, says ASID.

Should you join the crowd and employ a decorator to help you? How much will it cost and what will you get out of it?

Today, decorator charges may vary from under $25 an hour to $100 an hour or more for consultation.

In the ASID survey, 32% charged between $25 and $49 an hour for their services and another 30% between $50 and $74.

Some decorators earn their fees in commissions on purchased merchandise, others combine billing methods.

Some retail stores offer access to decorator guidance without a fee. There is, however, often an initial cost of several hundred dollars, which is applied to purchases over a certain amount.

What can you expect to get? At the very least, you should receive guidance on selecting a color scheme and furnishings and placement of your furniture and accessories.

Many decorators are qualified in space planning, and can advise on lighting and acoustics.

They may also have some ideas about adding on a room or a wing, although decorators do not substitute for architects.

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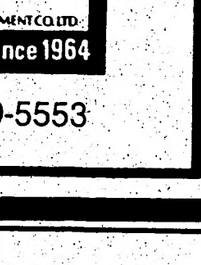

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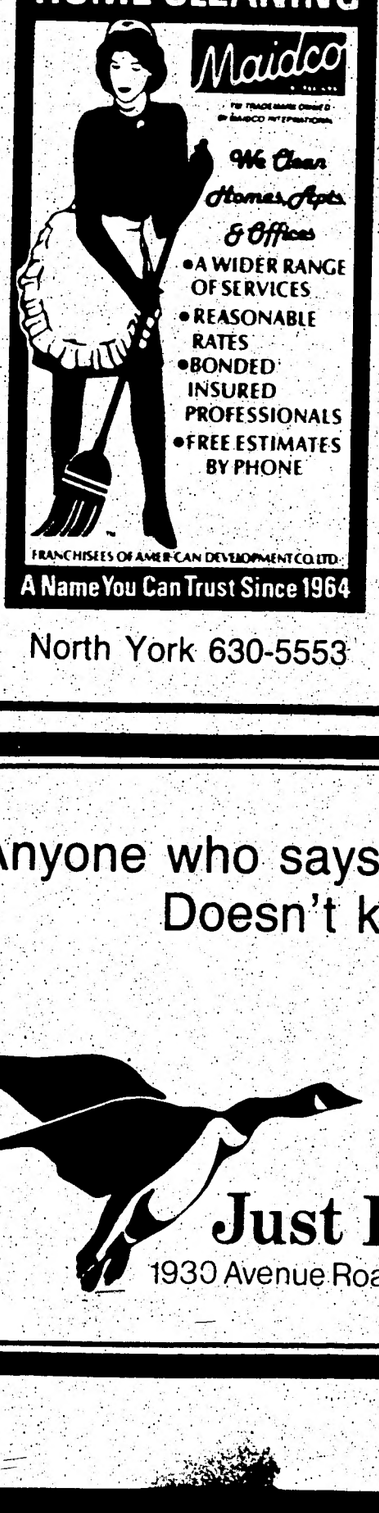

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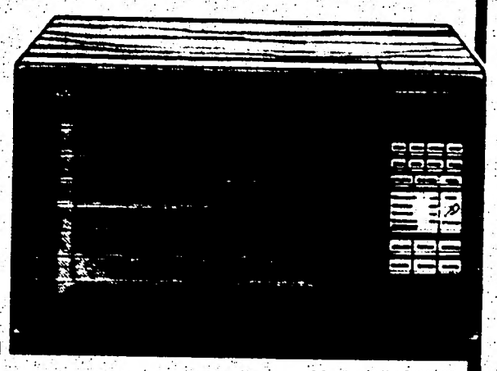

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Good-quality children's furniture can be fairly expensive, but it is not only the affluent who buy it.

Today's young working couples with only one or two children prefer it because they are aware of its quality and special advantages for their youngsters.

Since the usefulness of this furniture extends over a fairly long period, you can buy the pieces you need in stages as your child grows.

The usual procedure is to start with a bed and chest of drawers, later adding a writing desk, a homework table (which can eventually hold a computer) and so on.

To the great dismay of many parents, youngsters now insist more and more in helping to choose furniture for their "royal kingdoms."

You can avoid a host of problems if you actively involve your children in the selection of their furniture, whatever their ages.

When a child plays an active role in selecting his or her furniture, the world inside the room and outside will become a nicer place, child authorities say.

One interior designer, who specializes in children's living and working spaces, says you can learn your child's preferences with simple activity.

"If the child is young, sit on the floor with him, and if he is older than 10, sit at a table," he says. "Then talk about color and how he likes his room.

"To help with color, get some paint chips at the hardware store and place them in front of the child and ask him to select his favorites.

"From this simple game and question period, you will gain some insight.

"Nothing can be worse than buying a child furniture without consulting him or her. Believe it or not, a painted, canopy bed for girl may not be what your daughter likes, so why make her suffer with it. The same goes for a boy: a maritime theme or western motive could be distasteful."

He explains that the younger the child, the more he will instinctively create a dual purpose with all furniture. "Then the answer to a child's room is modular furniture, which can be changed into configurations he is pleased with as he grows," he says. "This is one way to save money over the years."

The proverbial mess may never be avoided, but its intensity can be minimized. Keeping a mind on providing sample storage space will help the child understand that all things have a place, especially the young ones who can create little shelf tags identifying what items belong where.

They will begin associating words with objects in one of the best learning areas during the younger, formative years.

Children should be encouraged to play. Some wall systems provide collapsible table tops, giving children with small rooms a surface on which to paint, draw, study and play. These surfaces are usually synthetic and can be cleaned easily.

For families on budget, extra storage is available in some bedframes. And many wrap groups include desks and versatile storage space.

Especially with younger children, inspect all corners to prevent injury. Furniture with sharp protrusions should be avoided.

Sometimes more than one child must occupy a room. Give them as much as possible in the shared environment to be themselves.

Bunk beds have been a traditional space saver. Newer configurations incorporate workspace and even closetspace.

Getting back to messy rooms. You are likely to see more of them if the child is forced to accept mother's choice of furniture because it's not the child's room in the child's mind.

You can contribute to a child's well being with the simple and enjoyable activity of seeking his involvement.

Misconceptions on microwaves

One of the greatest aids to hectic modern lifestyles is the microwave oven. Yet, in spite of its growing popularity, there is still some misunderstanding about micro-cooking.

The prime concern is safety. Many people confuse microwave energy with radiation. On the electro-magnetic spectrum, however, it is equivalent to the radar used in radar speed traps and is relatively harmless as it is non-ionizing.

Basically, this means that unlike X-rays, microwaves do not build up in the body over a period of time. They also leave a burning sensation on the skin so there is no danger of unsuspected exposure.

Also, with today's ovens, exposure is virtually impossible. All current models on the Canadian market automatically shut off and cannot operate with the door open.

Moreover, microwave energy dissipates and loses its power rapidly so that at arm's length from the oven, there are no longer any microwaves.

When considering the purchase of a microwave oven, look for one that has a door seal to prevent leakage or ensure that the door fits tightly and is not liable to deteriorate over the years.

Other generally beneficial features include a door that allows loading from either side and an interior finish such as stainless steel which won't rust or absorb microwave energy.

It is also wise to decide beforehand whether the oven will be used for actual cooking or just reheating.

For cooking, the oven should have a minimum one cu. ft. capacity and at least 600 watts. Electrical energy costs are not a problem since microwave ovens use 50 to 70% less power than conventional ovens.

A variety of materials can be used in microwave ovens including styrofoam, plastic, paper, glass, china, etc., so avoid models with broiling elements because they eliminate the use of paper and plastic.

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Constraints decreasing

Decor becomes more mixed

The 1980s have been a heightened reaction against look-alike housing and a rising interest in the creation of personalized living spaces.

A chief means of giving interior space a unique personality is the use of accessory furnishings — lamps, vases, clocks, wall art, floral arrangements and plants.

Once upon a time, a homeowner chose accessories from one specific design period to decorate his home.

He chose, for example, 19th-century ornamentation or visual minimalism, early-American or contemporary. And never the twain would meet.

Now, however, homeowners are paying less attention to period constraints and are leaning toward comfort and individual expression in home furnishings and interiors.

Rooms mix diverse textures, illusionary techniques and a rich assortment of fabrics. The look of the 80s is a put-it-together-anyway-you-like look that draws from just about any combination of historical and contemporary references.

Design motifs for wall hangings and sculptures range from Egyptian to Oriental influences.

Authentic Grecian urns sit atop laminate table tops. Traditional wood furniture is adorned with the eye-shocking neon-bright colors and unique shapes of Memphis-style vases and clocks.

Swing-arm table lamps in updated glossy or metallic finishes rest on antique French chests.

Carved wooden heads imported from the Philippines hang on a wall, their unfinished texture in contrast with the smooth, clear finish of Italian glass bowls displayed on a shelf.

While there is little hesitation to mix styles of decor, there is even less hesitation to mix reality with reproductions in the world of accessories.

For southwestern flair, a homeowner can include authentic handmade pots purchased on an Indian reserve or "Navaho" blankets mass-produced by a manufacturer. Or both.

Great - great - grand - mother's hand-carved cedar chest may add a homespun cottage look to a hallway or bedroom, or that role may be filled by reproduction cedar chest.

Greek- and Roman-style furnishings — whether real or fake — are very big in the world of accessories.

The price tags, too, are big, at least for authentic travertine marble busts of the gods.

Faux marble reproductions of fibreglass and reinforced polyresin are more affordable.

Faux marble columns also are popular, whether a chunk or two of it supports a table or a slab simply stands there like a heroic ruin as a main accessory in a room.

Faux marble also is popular for urns, tabletops and human and animal statues.

No matter what style and combination of accessories a homeowner chooses for his well-dressed home, the wardrobe rarely is considered complete without houseplants.

Plants add freshness and their own statement of fashion — but only if they're alive. Syndicated garden columnist Patrick Denton offers the following suggestions for successful houseplants.

The key, he says, is to match a plant you like with a suitable location in the home.

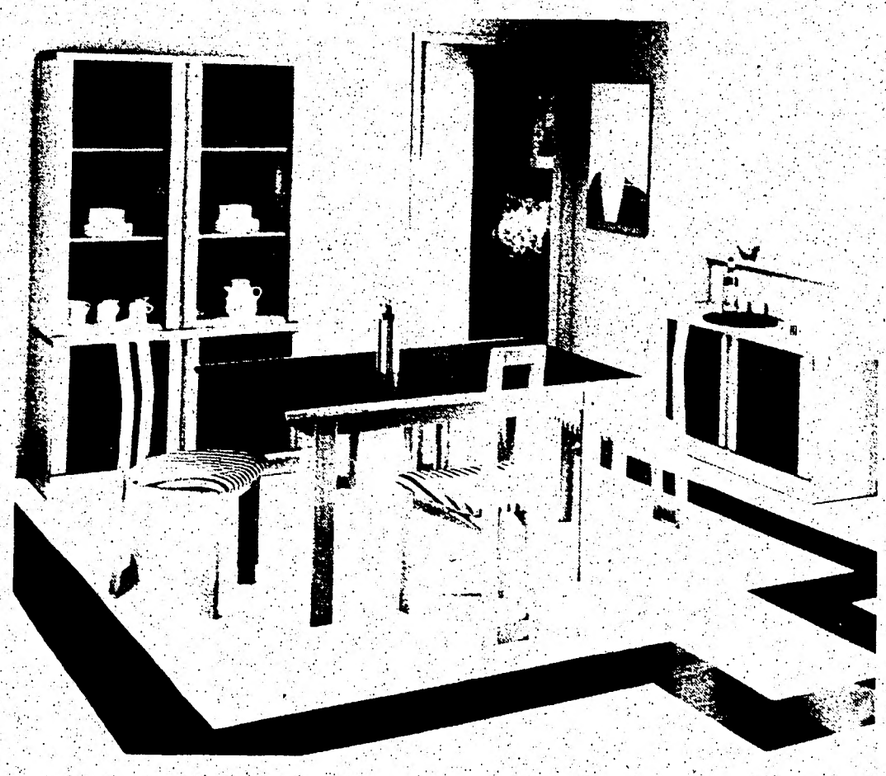
Make sure the plant you choose for a certain location can survive in the light that area receives.

Most plant tags describe the lighting required. "Indirect bright" or "bright diffuse" describes lighting places that are bright but do not receive direct sun.

Most house plants will thrive under such conditions, which usually are found adjacent to west and south windows.

A few plants, however, will tolerate low-light conditions such those found in the centre of a room, in a hallway or against an inside wall.

Some of these tolerant types are Chinese evergreen, aspidistra or cast-iron plant, parlor palm, dieffenbachia or dumb cane, striped dracaena and corn plant, heartleaved philodendron, sansevieria (snake plant), spathe flower, Swedish ivy and table fern.



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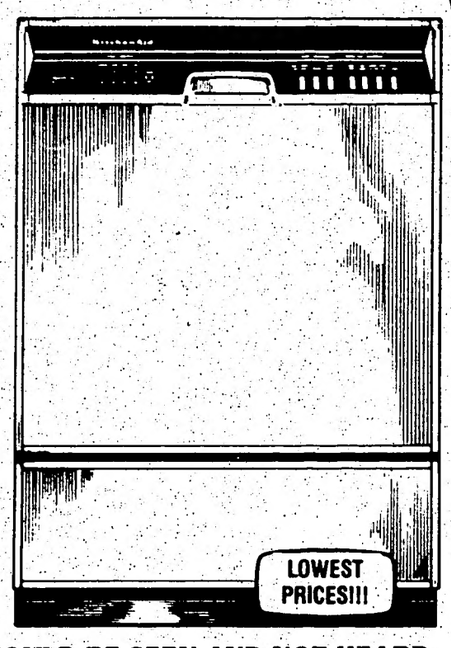

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Arts

Orchestra celebrating 50th birthday

CICF helps create enthusiasm for Israel Philharmonic

By
RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

"Exchange of art is the know each other," says Mavor Moore, the honorary chairman of the art advisory board of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation.

And now that the Israel Philharmonic is celebrating its 50th birthday, the fruits of cultural exchange are being recognized, thanks largely to the efforts of the CICF.

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra was founded in 1936 as the Palestine Philharmonic by Polish-Jewish refugee violinist Bronislav Huberman. From the beginning, despite sometimes primitive performing conditions, its reputation was high due to its membership of prominent Polish-Jewish musicians who had occupied leading positions to Polish orchestras prior to Hitler.

Following the independence of Israel, leading musicians from around the world associated themselves with the IPO, from Toscanini to Canada's Walter Susskind to Leonard Bernstein to Zubin Mehta to Isaac Stern.

Stern has not only been the musician who has singly devoted the most time and effort to the IPO but was also responsible for installing a vigorous Canadian imprint.

Besides instituting a scholarship fund for young musicians in Israel and securing them all-vital linkages to the rest of the concert world, Stern also interested Canadian friends of Israeli culture, including the IPO, into forming a friends' organization long before 1972. This organization eventually became the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation.

The first CICF concert was the Israel Philharmonic Massey Hall appearance on Oct. 19, 1972, in which the foundation brought the orchestra from New York. Zubin Mehta, who had, at the time, recently assumed his position of Israel Philharmonic musical director, conducted in Toronto. The second CICF-sponsored IPO concert was held in Toronto on Sept. 19, 1976.

The foundation really came of age was when the Maureen and Friends benefit concert at Toronto's was held at Massey Hall on Sept. 14, 1980, during which many of Canada's leading cultural personalities, including Maureen Forrester, Rivka Golani, and Dinah Christie, together with leading international classical superstars such as Stern and opera diva Gilda Cruz-Romo, performed free of charge in order to establish the CICF Endowment Fund.

Forrester was at the time honorary chairman of the CICF, a post she held until becoming chairman of the Canada Council, at which time she was succeeded by Mavor Moore.

On May 29, 1982, the IPO made its third Toronto appearance and final Massey Hall concert, featuring, together with Zubin Mehta, violinist Shlomo Mintz who is an Isaac Stern protege. This concert marked the establishment of the Concertmaster's Chair of the IPO.

The new Roy Thomson Hall was the site of the IPO's fourth CICF Toronto appearance on March 23, 1985, which featured the two young teenage Stern proteges Shira Ravin and Roy Shiloah who performed Bach's Third Brandenbrug Concerto to a capacity audience. The proceeds went to the Tzlil-Am mobile music unit, CICF, special music project.

The CICF's activities on behalf of the IPO have generated much ripple-effect enthusiasm among Toronto's serious music community as a whole.

Thus, while the CICF is not involved in any of the upcoming 50th Anniversary IPO celebrations in a direct manner, there is little doubt that it has been a powerful impetus towards the participation of the Toronto Symphony in association with a special tour to Israel which will celebrate this major event this coming December.

The 50th anniversary events, which take place at the IPO's permanent home, the spaciously modern Mann Auditorium in the heart of Tel Aviv, will feature guest solo appearances by Stern, Itzhak Perlman, Pinchas Zuckerman, Mstislav Rostropovich, Shlomo Mintz, the Paris Orchestra Choir, and several other yet-to-be-announced celebrities. Zubin Mehta will be conducting the orchestra.

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Unreal and unrealized

Murder at McQueen ununified

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

There is no actual murder in *Murder At McQueen*.

Neither are there any fully realized characters in Erika Ritter's new play (running until Dec. 21 at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman St., 536-5018).

What we have here is a series of sketches involving four flip, seemingly hip Toronto career women in their 30s, who gather at McQueen, a chic women's club patterned after 21 McGill.

It's significant that one of them is a freelance lifestyles writer for Chatelaine; for the play has the feminist tone of a very talky Chatelaine article, in which four unmarried female Yuppies chatter bitchily — and raunchily — about what cads most men are.

Ritter, probably best known as a Toronto Star lifestyles columnist and for her *Automatic Pilot* comedy about female comics in a Yuk Yuk-like joke factory, has peppered her dialogue with some very funny 1-liners.

I found amusing the bitter jibe of one woman recalling the sex habits of a former boyfriend who rejected her: "Jerry was strictly Holiday Inn — no surprise."

But wisecracks do not a play make.

The four accomplished Toronto actresses struggle valiantly to bring their characters to life, but in vain. They portray four aimless contemporary women who all sound alike: randy and lonely, but with no depth or substance in any of them.

Three of them are linked by their on-again, off-again romantic flings with the same man — a chauvinist slob who conducts a morning radio talk show.

Linda Sorensen portrays the earthy owner of the McQueen Club who still yearns for him, even though they split five years ago.

Seana McKenna is the girlish Havergal grad turned lifestyles journalist who also continues to have the hots for him, even though she goes to an abortionist to have their child "removed like a wart."

And Goldie Semple, perhaps the most interesting of the trio, portrays an arch-feminist corporate lawyer. She is a glacial "snow queen," who debates feminist issues with him on the air, has a 1-night stand with him, and then curtly gives him the brush-off, behaving like a male womanizer toying with his female victims.

The fourth woman, portrayed by Nancy Palk, is the most unbelievable of the lot. She depicts the flaky writer of whodunit novels, who falls in love with her fictional detective.

Ritter seems to have created this oddball character simply as an excuse to put onstage a charmingly hilarious bedroom scene, in which the novelist kisses the shoulder of the fantasy detective to the tune of a pop song.

To be sure, it's a funny scene. But it's as unreal — and unrealized — as the rest of this disjointed collection of vignettes.

Clearly, *Murder At McQueen* needs more script expansion and polishing before it becomes an acceptable flesh-and-blood comedy of manners and morals. In its present skeletal state, it can be recommended for a special audience — the female Yuppies who use Chatelaine as their lifestyle guide.

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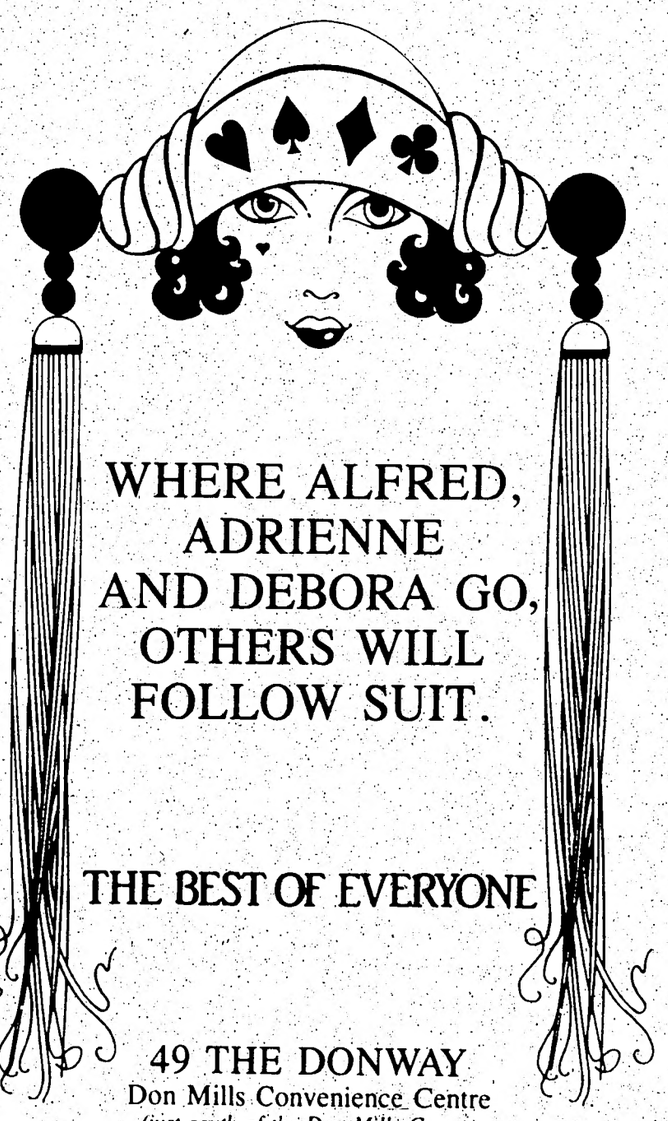

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Arts

Ralph Small (left) as a hardboiled private eye and Raymond Storey as a gay bartender star in White Dreams and Bad Money.

White Dreams and Bad Money

Play plagued with poor plot

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Theatre Passe Muraille (which means "Beyond Walls" in French) has staged some excellent avant-garde Canadian plays. For example, it produced last season's Dora Award-winning *Jessica*, that powerful drama about a tormented half-breed by Linda Griffiths and Maria Campbell, which is currently touring throughout Canada.

Alas, the same accolade can't be given to *White Dreams and Bad Money*, which is playing until Nov. 23 at the experimental workshop theatre at 16 Ryerson Ave. (363-2416).

Toronto playwright Jim Bartley has written a 1-joke parody of hard-boiled private eyes who are the heroes of the Mike Hammer and Sam Spade TV shows and who-dun-it novels.

Regrettably, his humor is soft-boiled and his hero — a tough-talking Toronto detective named Ron Smith who drinks Shirley Temples — is a wimpy bore.

The ludicrous plot has to do with the discovery of a million dollars' worth of cocaine in the alleyway outside a downtown gay bar, a villainous gunsel named Al The Glove who swathes his face in a silk stocking, and the exchange of wisecracks between Smith's glamorous ex-wife and his homosexual boyfriend.

There are a few funny moments in it, but not enough to make this pointless parody of film stereotypes seem like nothing other than a very bad dream. Better luck next time, Passe Muraille.

An unusual love story

Cactus packs quite a punch

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Colo (Isabelle Huppert), a comely French lady, has come to Australia to "find herself." Her marriage seems to have collapsed and now she needs time to reflect. She contemplates her situation in the comfort of a spacious country house surrounded by luscious plants and flowers, exotic trees and weird-calling birds.

Tom (Norman Kaye), her host, is the perfect gentleman. He doesn't ask embarrassing questions and lets her be.

But he makes one mistake that almost costs Colo her life. He lets her drive his car. She crashes into a tree and loses the sight of her left eye. The doctor warns her that, unless it is removed, the vision in her right eye will gradually fade away.

Colo is immensely saddened by that cheerless prospect and seems destined to wallow in self-pity and bitterness until she meets Tom's neighbor, Robert (Robert Menzies), and falls in love with him.

From that moment onward, *Cactus* swiftly gains momentum and turns into a lyrical film of immense self-assurance. Until then, it is achingly slow and even ponderous.

Cactus, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is an unusual love story. Robert, a lanky, sensitive soul, is blind, while Colo is going blind. It is the perfect plot and director Paul Cox exploits it to the hilt without lapsing into maudlin emotionalism.

The film, which has its share of wonderful zany characters, develops their relationship carefully and thoughtfully, like an ethereal work of art.

As Cactus builds to a climax, Robert and Colo walk along the seashore. He caresses her face and asks her if she is beautiful. She hesitates and, lying, says no. But Robert knows better, and tells Colo she is beautiful. It is a poignant scene and is perfectly in keeping with the understated tenor of the picture.

Isabelle Huppert is an actress who combines intelligence and the rare quality of genuine empathy with good looks. She is certainly an asset to Cactus, as is Robert Menzies, whose anguished face betrays the sad story of Robert's life.

Cactus is a quiet film that packs quite a punch.

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Arts

Slim figure remains despite kishke and kreplach

Riki Turofsky singing again and feeling wonderful

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

She was called "Canada's Sexiest Soprano."

That was 12 years ago when her shapely frame (5-foot-6, 123 pounds), flowing tresses of hair (golden blonde) and unwrinkled, high-cheekboned face (Garboesque and Slavic) adorned the cover of Maclean's Magazine.

Now 42, with her physical attributes seemingly and miraculously unchanged, a sensuous photo of the former magazine cover girl in black leotards dramatically adorns the cover of a new $10 Fanfare album titled *Riki Turofsky Sings Kurt Weill.*

The Toronto-born Jewish opera singer, who claims ancestry from both Leon Trotsky and Catherine the Great of Russia, takes pride in the credo: If you've got it, flaunt it.

"My singing voice is sensuous and my physical attributes are said to be sensuous," Turofsky was saying in a CJN interview last week. "So why should I be ashamed of displaying my sensuosity in a striking picture?"

What causes that sensuality?

Partly, she says, it's because she's an athletic lady, who bicycles, plays tennis and takes brisk walks. But mostly, she says, it's because of the healthy genes she has inherited.

"Some of my friends are green with envy," she says. "At 42, I've yet to develop a single wrinkle.

"And my slim figure has remained the same for a dozen years . . . without ever having to diet. I love eating all the Jewish foods my mother taught me to cook, like kishke and kreplach. But I burn it off immediately after I devour the fatty stuff. It's due to my natural metabolism."

She takes such blessings for granted, she says, because she was born under the astrological Pisces sign.

What personality traits are supposed to characterize Pisces people?

"We're like fish, wriggling our way through life," she said. "We're artistic. We're sensitive. We're survivors. We survive through life's troubles with optimism."

As a teenager, she survived the death of both her parents.

When she was 15, it was the death of her father, Lou Turofsky, who for 50 years had been a noted photographer for the Toronto daily newspapers. She says a Philadelphia genealogist traced her father's ancestry back to Queen Catherine of Russia.

"Dad was full of fun, and the newspaper obits said of him that he could walk and talk with kings and queens and floor sweepers," she says. "My most vivid memory of him is how he loved listening to the Metropolitan Opera radio broadcasts on Saturday afternoons."

Singer Riki Turofsky takes pride in this sensuous pose which adorns the cover of her new album, Riki Turofsky Sings Kurt Weill.

When she was 17, she survived the death of her mother, Ruth Siegel Turofsky, who is said to have been a descendant of the Jewish intellectual Communist, Leon Trotsky (born Bronstein).

"My mother was a marvelous cook," she says. "Vivid in my memory is the smell of her freshly baked challah and roast chicken for Sabbath and her pancakes for Sunday brunch. She was also a gifted pianist, who performed with the Beth Tzedec choir, and was a good friend of Ruth Lowe, the Toronto song writer of *I'll Never Smile Again.*"

She believes she inherited her love for music from both parents and developed a theatrical flair while attending Forest Hill Collegiate.

"We won the Dominion Drama Festival when I was 16 and playing the role of Abigail in Arthur Miller's *The Crucible,*" she says, adding with a giggle: "Who was Abigail? She was the nasty, hysterical girl who pointed the finger and accused others of being witches."

Since then, she has survived other travails. The two worst ones happened last year at about the same time.

She ended her second marriage, to CBC-TV arts executive Robert Sunter. Shortly after, a policeman knocked on her door one Sunday morning to report that her 19-year-old daughter, Carrie, an art design student, had choked to death in vomit resulting from a stomach disorder.

Terribly distraught, Turofsky says she sold her Toronto house, vowed to give up singing, and moved to Vancouver to "heal."

Happily, while conducting two arts interview shows in Vancouver, she fell in love with a new man to whom she is presently engaged. He is 41-year-old Charles Peterson, board chairman of Comac Publications, which publishes Canadian Homemakers and other magazines.

She also returned to singing. But after years of performing with opera companies, ranging from the Houston Grand to the New York City Opera, she has broadened her repertoire.

Her new album includes a wide range of Weill's Broadway songs from *Lady In The Dark* to *One Touch Of Venus.*

I'm singing again and I feel wonderful!" she says.

Among other projects in the works, she is preparing a TV video based on Weill's standard song, *My Ship,* and is negotiating the launching of a new TV series titled *Eye On The Arts.*

How does she get her kicks from singing?

There's nothing more exhilarating," she says, "than sharing the joy I get from great music."

Darkly humorous

Surprises fill Something Wild

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Something Wild is just that.

Jonathan Demme's darkly humorous, slightly offbeat film twists and turns with no advance warning and leaves you struggling to figure out what comes next.

E. Max Frye's script is nothing . . . if not unpredictable.

Charles Driggs (Jeff Daniels), a newly-appointed executive, leaves a Manhattan restaurant without paying his bill. Lulu Hankel (Melanie Griffith), a ravishing beauty sporting a Louise Brooks page-boy bob and a kinky black outfit with African jewelry, confronts him on the pavement and says she witnessed his petty thievery.

Driggs, a self-contented married man with two children, fears she will turn him in. But his concern is misplaced. He is a kindred spirit, a "closet rebel," in her words.

Lulu obviously likes Driggs and offers him a lift. He accepts. But when he realizes she is is driving toward New Jersey, away from his office, he protests weakly.

Driggs has just been hijacked by a zany lady who has a predilection for petty larcency and unorthodox sex.

She stops in a roadstop liquor store and, when the owner has his back turned, she nonchalantly steals several bottles of whisky. They check into a motel room and Lulu, clad in enticing black panties, pins Driggs to the bed with handcuffs and proceeds to make love to him.

In a highly amusing scene, Lulu works him over, and, as he is panting with joy, she mischieviously calls his boss and hands him the receiver. Driggs can barely get his words out.

More is yet to come. Lulu introduces him as her husband to her prim but eccentric mother, Peaches, and then ducks into the bathroom to dye her staright black hair blond. As a blond, Lulu is softer, more accessible, more of an all-American girl, which she is definitely not, as Driggs will discover.

Driggs is dragged along to Lulu's high school reunion, and there he meets her estranged husband, Ray (Ray Liotta), a tough ex-con. Despite Lulu's protestations, Driggs accepts his invitation to spend part of the evening with him and his raffish girlfriend.

At this point, Something Wild (now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres) suddenly turns ominous, as Lulu finds out that Driggs' personal life is rather more complicated than she could ever have imagined.

Melanie Griffith, the daughter of actress Tippi Hedren, is undoubtedly the shining light of this picture. Besides being uncommonly beautiful, she possesses the imperturbable wit of an accomplished comic.

Ray Liotta is the very epitome of calculated cold rage, and Jeff Daniels projects a cuddliness capable of disarming practically any normal woman.

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Arts

Study takes progressive outlook

Book on Jewish women widens scope of discussion

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The Jewish Woman in Rabbinic Literature: A Psychological and Psychohistorical Perspective. By Menachem Brayer. Ktav Publishing, $11.95 U.S. (paper). 2 volumes.

Judaism is essentially a patriarchal religion. God is worshipped as Father and King. His prophets are invariably men. With the possible exception of Deborah in the Book of Judges, the women of the Bible tended to be either dutiful wives despairing of their infertility (such as Sarah, Rachel or Hannah) or wicked women who led men astray (Eve, Delilah, Bathsheba, Jezebel).

Esther was in a position to help her people only because she was the concubine of a man who happened to be a king. Jael in the Book of Judges may have destroyed an enemy general, but she did it by the cowardly trick of hammering a tent peg through his forehead while he was asleep. Rahab, who protected the Israelite spies in Jericho, is described as a harlot.

The message comes through loud and clear: God and His servants are masculine and women cannot be trusted.

According to the Torah, a man can divorce his wife, but a woman may not divorce her husband. Women are regarded as property: a man may not covet "his neighbor's wife" along with other of his possessions. The culpability of extramarital sex depends on whether the woman is married or not; if she is unmarried then no real harm is done, but if she is another man's wife and thus "belongs" to someone else, then both parties are to be put to death.

Many other examples of biblical legislation and ideas prejudicial to women could be adduced. Yet, the status of women as interpreted in post-biblical Jewish literature was often honored and exalted. The disabilities were mitigated, the harshness blunted.

Rabbi Menachem Brayer serves as professor of Biblical Literature and Education at Yeshiva University. He is also a consulting psycholgist for university students. In this massive 2-volume study he reviews women's contributions to Judaism and society as wife, mother, educator, guide, martyr and religious leader.

"In our study, attention will be given to the total personality of the woman, including the behavioral, sensory, emotive, and cognitive features in biblical, talmudic, and later rabbinic sources. We will compare them with current psychological and sociological findings."

The author points out that the absence of reserve and the freedom of mutual expression during the sexual union of man and wife were encouraged by the rabbis in order to give unimpeded and natural pleasure to the loving pair (as long as the laws of modesty are not offended).

He makes clear that there is considerable warrant in Judaism for regarding contraception as permissible, even obligatory, in cases where the mother's health is in danger or if she is to be exposed to extraordinary pain, or where the health of a child, born or unborn, would be jeopardized through the pregnancy.

Brayer maintains that contemporary halachic authorities must allow women to develop new self-actualizing roles and models, in accordance with their intellectual and emotional capacity and spiritual needs. "Open-mindedness and true appreciation of the social, psychological, and cultural change which the woman has undergone will enable her to share more fully in the mitzvot and in the Torah, within the framework of halachic Judaism."

Progressive in outlook, clearly written and cogently reasoned, this comprehensive study opens new areas of discussion and understanding.

Playwright to discuss Twisted Loaf

TORONTO — Aviva Ravel, Montreal playwright and author, will be in Toronto on Dec. 6 and 7, when Medina Stage Company presents her play, *The Twisted Loaf*, in the Eisendrath Auditorium of Holy Blossom Temple.

At the conclusion of each of the three scheduled performances, Ravel will engage in a discussion with the audience.

The Twisted Loaf is a **Jewish family story about an old immigrant woman named Bessie reliving her life in a hospital bed and confronting her younger self, in an attempt to gain understanding of what her life has meant since she came to Canada.**

The Twisted Loaf and another play, *Dispossessed* premiered at the Saidye Bronfman Centre in Montreal.

Director of the local production is well known Toronto actress Sylvia Lennick, who starred in the original production of *Dispossessed*, and who was heard recently in the CBC radio production of Ravel's play, *Second Chance*.

Another radio play,

Aviva Ravel

Vengeance was produced by Kol Israel this fall. Her short stories have appeared in magazines such as Chatelaine, Moment, Room of One's Own, Journal of Canadian Fiction, and in Viewpoints, most recently in the issue of Oct. 23.

Ravel is also the author of *Faithful Unto Death*, the biography of Arthur Zygielbaum. She holds her doctorate in Canadian drama from McGill University, and teaches in the English department of Concordia University in Montreal.

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Chazzanim to perform benefit for disabled Israeli war vets

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By
RICK KARDONNE

The Toronto Council of Chazzanim's concert on Dec. 7 will feature (front row from left) Cantors Hesh Meyersdorf, A. Eliezer Kirshblum and Ephraim Sapri; and (back row from left) Cantors Paul Kowarsky, Benjamin Maissner, Louis Danto and David Bagley.

The Toronto Council of Chazzanim concert at 8 p.m., Dec. 7 at Adath Israel (37 Southbourne St., just northeast of Bathurst and Wilson) will this year be held in association with Beit Halochem, Aid to Disabled Veterans of Israel (Canada).

Beit Halochem is the name of the rehabilitation centres built and maintained for the benefit of the 35,000 disabled veterans of Israel and their families. The recent grenade attack near the Western Wall underscores the importance of this organization's role.

The Toronto Cantorial Trust Fund will also be a beneficiary of the concert.

The seven performing cantors from major synagogues in Toronto represent different specialties ranging from the Eastern European classic tradition of Louis Danto to the contemporary sabra approach of Ephriam Sapir. Also featured will be David Bagley, A. Eliezer Kirshblum, Paul Kowarsky, Benjamin Maissner and Hesh Mayersdorf. All have performed extensively around the world.

(This columnist hopes that in order to make the program truly comprehensive, at least one Toronto Sephardi cantor call be still added to the program.)

Synagogue choirs, instrumental ensembles and Cantor Daniel Gildar of Philadelphia on piano will accompany the cantors.

For further information, call Barbara Kelman at 781-3511, or Cantor A. Eliezer Kirshblum at 635-5340.

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Having recently returned from Switzerland and Belgium, violist Rivka Golani embarks on a busy winter performing schedule which, while spanning the globe, reserves a central focus on Canada.

Last week, the Israeli-born Toronto-based Golani performed in Kansas City, St. Louis and Florida's Wynmoor Village.

On Nov. 21, she performs in Montreal, and then on Nov. 25 she will perform in a New Music recital in Winnipeg.

On Dec. 3 Golani travels to Tokyo where she will perform the world premiere of a new concerto written especially for her by one of Japan's leading composers, Joji Yuasa. Then she records a BBC album in Manchester Dec. 11 followed by a Wigmore Hall (London) recital Dec. 14.

The next two months will consist of Canadian recitals; in Toronto (Jan. 18) accompanied by Patricia Parr for CBC; a U of T symposium Jan. 20; Peterborough on Jan. 21; a Jan. 27 performance in Quebec City of Michael Colgrass' historic Chaconne for Viola and Orchestra to be repeated in Calgary on Feb. 11, and a Toronto recital with Maureen Forrester on Feb. 4.

Following a Yellowknife recital on Feb. 12, Golani will return to Toronto to take part in a New Music concert Feb. 22, prior to performing with Montreal's I Musici ensemble on March 1.

Her Boston Symphony performance of Michael Colgrass' Chaconne is set for April 2-3-4.

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A klezmer concert, demonstrating how klezmer and Yiddish folk styles evolved into Israeli and mid-century American popular music styles, will take place at Beth Sholom Dec. 6.

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Round Midnight charms in story of jazz musicians

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Round Midnight is probably the best film about jazz ever made.

Bertrand Tavernier's film is not a documentary but a feature whose central character is based on two jazz greats, Bud Powell and Lester Young, who worked in Paris during the 1950s.

As such, Round Midnight is also a tribute to all those Black American jazz musicians who performed in the City of Lights three decades ago.

Played out against alternately mournful and sprightly classics written by such people as Bud Powell, Thelonius Monk, Charlie Parker, Cole Porter and George Gershwin, Round Midnight is a loving and respectful portrait of all those gifted musicians who labored in dark, smoky basement clubs favored by jazz aficionados.

The man who dominates this film is Dale Turner (Dexter Gordon), an aging saxophonist who plays in the legendary Blue Note Club in Saint Germain des Pres. Turner, whose sounds can melt a snowcap, forms a friendship with Francis (Francois Cluzet), a young French admirer who's inspired by the American expatriate.

Francis eventually becomes his confidant, manager and protector. Turner needs to be coddled. He drinks too much and he is not averse to drugs. Furthermore, money slips through his fingers too easily.

Patiently, Francis rehabilitates Turner, doing so with the help of his utterly charming daughter, a girl who will be a beautiful woman one day.

Dexter Gordon is a wonder to behold. Not a professional actor, but a saxophonist and composer, he puts on what can only be described as an electrifying performance.

He slurs his words, letting them out of his mouth with a hoarse, hesitant rasp. He does not walk. He shuffles along, as if he can be toppled by a gust of wind.

He is intensely human and profusely vulnerable to the vicissitudes of life.

Cluzet's role is not as meaty, but he makes a considerable impact.

Interestingly enough, Martin Scorsese, the director, has a part, albeit a minor one, in the film. He plays a glib, somewhat funny New York jazz promoter who thinks he can fool the musicians in his stable of talent.

Round Midnight, now at Famous Players theatres, is like a favorite record: The longer you listen to it, the more you want to hear it.

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Arts

From role of "televizia" to Shlomo Kalemacher

Touring Yiddish comedians focus on life in Israel

By
DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Israel was the real star of entertainers' Yaakov Bodo and Terry Gabor's recent tour of Montreal and Toronto. Die kleinchike medinele (the tiny little state) helped make their show, which played here at Northview Heights Secondary School, lebedick un freilach (lively and joyful) — and relevant, too.

Ways of life in Israel provided fresh grist for Bodo's comedic mill and also rejuvenated older material. Both Tel Aviv-based performers often delivered their lines in Hebish, a mixture of Hebrew and Yiddish.

Portraying a Moroccaner (Moroccan man) married to a Romanian woman, Bodo shrugs of the fact that they have only two children while he himself has 14 brothers and sisters. "My wife and I stopped having children after we got our televizia," he explains. "My parents never had one."

The Moroccaner recalls: "My father used to buy 15 portions of felafel when he'd take us out. If he had a portion left over, he knew someone was missing.

"One Saturday afternoon, when we'd all go for a walk, our little brother disappeared in a deep puddle. My father turned to my mother and asked: 'Well, should we pull him out or just make another one?' "

The Moroccaner relates how he first made the acquaintance of his punctilious Yekke (German-Jewish) neighborhood. The latter offered to take him along to his regular Tuesday concerts if he happened to know who Bach, Beethoven and Mozart were.

The Moroccaner guesses, and then asks the Yekke in turn if he knew who Abitbol, Azulai, and Bandahan were. He didn't. "When you go to your concert every Tuesday," explains the Moroccaner, "Abitbol, Azulai and Bendahan come to visit your wife."

The subjects of homesickness and great expectations were movingly depicted by Bodo as a newly arrived Israeli in New York who is afraid to return home to his mother and simple home in Tel Aviv without having made his fortune first.

The double entendre made several Israeli-style appearances. In a skit about a misplaced advertisement, Gabor plays a voluptuously dressed woman who is trying to sell her apartment, but the addled eccentric talking with her thinks they are making a shidduch (arranged marriage).

Bodo also played an inmate of an insane asylum in Israel who escapes in an effort to found a new political party. He also did a takeoff on the singing rabbi, Shlomo Carlebach, calling himself Shlomo Kalemacher (spoiler).

Gabor, who accented her statuesque figure with a variety of lowcut gowns and dresses, sang a number of popular operettas in Yiddish and Hebrew as well as the perennial favorite Raisins Almonds.

She was in fine voice, but in one selection a devotional, she struck a jarring note: the siddur she was supposed to be carrying was curiously thin and had a bright green cover. The prop looked an awful lot like a machberet, the Israeli pupil's ubiquitous little notebook.

Toronto Yiddish impresario Chaim Evron, the picture of dignity in dark tuxedo and reserved speech, emceed the production.

The local Sasha Starr orchestra was its usual competent self, providing the element of music crucial to most Yiddish productions.

Intriguing variety of books

Cook up a delicious storm . . .

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Cookbooks for all occasions and moods...

Jews have lived in Greece for over 2,000 years, watching conquering armies of Romans, Byzantines and Ottomans come and go.

And without a doubt, they've been influenced by their culinary styles. Visit a Jewish home in Greece and you'll likely be treated to such delicacies as stuffed eggplant and grape leaves, lamb kofte and semolina cake.

In *Cookbook of the Jews of Greece (Cadmus Press, Port Jefferson, NY, $18)*, Nicholas Stavroulakis, the director of the Jewish Museum in Athens, provides a reader with a host of tantalizing recipes for both holiday and daily cooking.

Anyone who appreciates the fragrant aromas of Middle Eastern cooking will derive endless pleasure from this book, which is illustrated with more than 60 black-and-white drawings of traditional Jewish life in Greece.

Chicken consumption in North America is on the increase, and for good reason. Chicken is tasty, nutritious, relatively inexpensive and, compared to red meat, positively less fatty.

365 Ways To Cook Chicken (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $18.95) is a wonderful book that no cook, accomplished or otherwise, should be without.

Author Cheryl Sedaker, who holds a degree in home economics from Cornell University, has an extremely inventive and imaginative approach to chicken. She tells you how to use it in appetizers, soups, casseroles and salads. And her recipes for chicken pot pies and pastries are nothing if not delightful.

The book's spiral spine makes it eminently easy to use in a cluttered kitchen.

According to an old Yiddish proverb, "worries go down better with soup than without."

Who could possibly disagree with that gem of wisdom? Neither gourmets nor gourmands, most of whom have been weaned on soups, be they hearty or delicate.

The revised edition of Coralie Castle's *Soup (Raincoast Books, $11.95)* will naturally appeal to soup lovers, of which this reviewer is one. There are recipes here for hot soups and cold soups, vegetable soups and meat soups, Oriental soups and Occidental soups.

In this most admirable book, Coralie Castle succeeds in imparting her infectious enthusiasm for soups of all varieties.

Italian food appeals to virtually all of us. The world would certainly be all the poorer if dishes like spaghetti, pizza and lasagne had not been invented.

The Italian Commonsense Cookery Book ($10.95, Raincoast Books) presents a reader with common and exotic fare that will complement family meals or dinner parties.

Amelia Santini's recipes are presented in simple, step-by-step form that even a child can follow.

Cold Pasta (Raincoast Books, $13.50), a companion volume, is mouthwatering. How can you resist dishes like macaroni with tomatos, feta cheese and Greek olives, or pasta with fresh fruits and yogurt?

James McNair, a San Francisco party planner, shows you how to make them with a minimum of fuss.

Fish healthy, economical alternative

If you're a strict vegetarian, forget *The Not-Strictly Vegetarian Cookbook ($14.95, Raincoast Books)*. But if you're willing to eat fish, eggs or fowl, this handy book by Lois Fishkin and Susan DiMarco is tailor-made for you.

Fish, high in proteins, vitamins and minerals, is a healthy and economical alternative to meat. And fish, as Dan and Inez Morris point out in *The Complete Fish Cookbook (Collier Macmillan, $34.95)*, is low in cholesterol and easy to make.

The authors present more than 500 recipes for simmering, poaching, steaming, broiling, frying, baking and stuffing fish. A great book.

Whether you like fish, fowl, meat or desserts, you should have *The Love of Cooking (Collins, $26.95)*, Sonia Allison's encyclopedic, lavishly-illustrated volume, in your possession.

An ideal gift for newlyweds, The Love of Cooking will also appeal to experienced cooks.

The food processor has revolutionized the kitchen, and Marilyn Bernard, *The Food Processor Cookbook (Raincoast Books, $6.95)* explains why in text and useful recipes.

With her book at your side, you can say good-bye to tiresome chores and sliced fingers.

Persoff to star in play

TORONTO —

Film and TV star Nehemiah Persoff will return to the Leah Posluns Theatre to present his 1-man show, *Sholem Aleichem*, from Nov. 27 until Dec. 20.

Persoff portrayed Barbra Streisand's father in the film *Yentl* and will voice the character Papa Mousekewitz in the forthcoming Stephen Speilberg movie *An American Tail*.

He portrayed Willy Loman in the Stratford production of *Death Of A Salesman* and has performed in many TV series, including *Magnum* and *Hotel*.

His Toronto show is based on the folk tales of the Yiddish humorist Solomon Rabinovitz who delighted millions under the pen name of Sholom Aleichem.

Adv.

Leisure Pleasures

By VIVIENNE MUHLING 483-9331

JESSICA returns! If you missed this multi-award play at **Passe Muraille**, see it now! Internationally acclaimed "Best Cdn. Play", it now features **Tantoo Cardinal** (who won raves in movie "Loyalties"), in the title role. Amidst media raves, CJN called it "a classic in the making". At **Toronto Free Theatre, 26 Berkeley**, to Dec. 7. Call **368-2856**.

Last chance to see **CABARET** at **Leah P's!** It must close Nov. 22 to make way for **SHOLEM ALEICHEM**. Yes, outstanding master-actor **Nehemiah Persoff** will grace our stage November 27 (preview Nov. 26) in his brilliant interpretation of the beloved master-author's shetl tales. Better book fast! **Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst, 360-6752.**

Remember that Canada's longest-running musical revue, **LET MY PEOPLE COME**, now plays ½-hr. earlier late night Sat. at 10:30 p.m. All other Mon.-Sat. times stay the same for this ever-fresh, ever-popular New York hit that satirizes now-aday notions of sex and nudity. Now at **Basin Street Cabaret, 180 Queen Street West, 598-3013.**

C.J.N.'s Frank Rasky declares the **Limelight's** new production of **CABARET** is the best he's yet seen. **Tom Kneebone** stars as the M.C. **Charlotte Moore** is his lovely co-star, Sally Bowles. See it Mon.-Sat. evgs. Take the kids to lunch matinees of **JACK & THE BEANSTALK** each Saturday & Sunday at **The Limelight, 2026 Yonge St., 482-5200.**

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Trip to Israel described as experience of a lifetime

By
NORMA BARKIN
& ANDREA BALTMAN

Children join parents to worship beside the Western Wall. [Len Butcher photo]

The most comprehensively written itinerary won't prepare you. And even with the aid of diaries and photographs your brain may never completely process the experience. A trip to Israel is more than a holiday, more than a study mission. It is a life event.

We begin as tourists to build memory upon memory, dutifully noting in orderly fashion our stops and visits. We soon abandon the impossible and just allow our senses to enjoy and perhaps store some of our impressions.

But there is an overload. Although nothing will be forgotten, there is a limit to the number of highlights that emerge and run together in our thoughts each time we remember.

The history of Jerusalem retold through a Sound and Light Show at David's Citadel within the walls of the Old City. The culminating Simchat Torah celebration at Liberty Bell Park with musical entertainment amplified to echo in the surrounding streets. Thousands and thousands of Jews joyfully singing, clapping, weaving and dancing. From youngsters on their parents' shoulders to golden-agers leaning on canes, all joined with one voice to sing everything from Halleluyah to Hatikvah.

The picturesque artists' colony and old synagogues in the sacred city of Sefad. A cruise on the Sea of Galilee with fresh breezes whetting our appetites for a lakeside lunch of St. Peter's Fish at Kibbutz Ein Gev.

Four glorious hours in Akko, including a tour through the subterranean Crusaders' Halls, a film in the antechamber of the castle, and a leisurely boat-ride to view the walls of this ancient port city from the sea.

A perfect ending to a perfect day — the breathtaking vision of Caesarea's amphitheatre at sunset. An exotic Yemenite dinner in Jaffa followed by The Israel Experience, a cinematic extravaganza.

The awesome beauty of the Negev landscape, with shadow hues that simply don't exist in the color vocabulary. The spectacular sea life safely witnessed from Eilat's Underwater Observatory.

Somehow along the way we begin a different experience — a bonding with the people of Israel. It starts as we tour new settlements and kibbutzim on the West Bank and continues through special visits and features arranged by Na'amat in Israel.

At an Ethiopian Absorption Centre in Safed we are greeted with enthusiasm and Hebrew songs by the children and welcomed into individual family dwellings. We are taken to Katzerin, the only urban centre in the Golan Heights.

During the excavation and building of this town, archeologists were amazed to discover evidence of 22 synagogues in the region. Relics dating back thousands of years are now housed in the new Golan Museum.

At Neve Tirtza Women's Prison we are impressed by the standards of their facilities and by their rehabilitation programme. We are glad to see that PLO prisoners are segragated from the other inmates and are somewhat surprised by their youth and the pleasant outdoor surroundings provided to them.

A visit to Kanot, a Na'amat agricultural boarding school, includes a full-course schnitzel lunch and a tour of dormitories, classrooms, grounds and stables, where we meet two of Israel's future olympic equestrians.

There is a reception by the mayor of Akko in the municipal chambers, where we learn how the city's Arabs and Jews live peacefully side by side. Following a supper hosted by the mayor of Givatayim, we are entertained by their remarkable children's choir and world-renowned dance troupe.

Our motor tour of the Negev takes us to Sdeh Boker for an emotional visit to Ben-Gurion's "Hut," with his books, art and personal belongings displayed in rooms left as they were during his lifetime.

In Mitzpe Ramon, we stop at Na'amat's sparkling day care centre with its innovative solar climate control system. We enjoy the stunning Geological Museum and view of the crater. And we are touched by a young mother's explanation of why she never wants to leave this remote desert community.

During three nights and two days of pampered luxury in Eilat, we briefly visit Taba, where we can stand on a spot of Israeli soil and see Jordan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

As if to point up the proximity, a French aircraft destined for Eilat mistakenly lands that very day in Aqaba.

When the time comes to return to reality, it seems appropriate that we fly back to Tel Aviv's Ben-Gurion Airport in a DeHavilland-made Dash 7.

Reluctant to finally depart Israel, we are the last to board the El Al plane for the flight home. Our saddest moment is watching the land fade from view. Unable to blink back the tears, we know in our souls that we must return.

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Norma Barkin is Toronto President of Na'amat Pioneer Women and a freelance writer who led the tour. Andrea Baltman is an agent with Sheppard Celebrity Travel and a life member of Na'amat Pioneer Women who accompanied the tour.

Israeli hotel companies prepare for expected influx

By
BARUCH SAVILLE

JERUSALEM —

Israel's hotel owners know that long-term planning is always an essential factor in their industry and even when occupancy is low, preparations must be made for when the tourism tide turns.

Tourism from the United States, returning to normal after several months of decline in the wake of terrorism attacks in Europe, is expected to go on to reach new heights.

The hotel companies are making certain that they are ready to meet the boom anticipated to start in 1987 and build up for the 40th anniversary of the state in 1988.

Undoubtedly the biggest development is that of the Dan Hotels chain, Israel's largest. Recently, the Dan company opened its new Panorama Project in Haifa. It includes the 20-floor Dan Panorama hotel which has 270 rooms and all the most up-to-date facilities and comforts.

Yet, this fine hotel, built for 5-star accommodation, is being operated as a 4-star hotel leaving guests who prefer upper 5-star, to enjoy the adjacent, long-popular Dan Carmel.

Like its older sister, the Dan Panorama has a fine swimming pool, and both hotels share a magnificent shopping centre and arcade.

At the official opening of the Dan Panorama in the presence of then Prime Minister Shimon Peres — one of his official functions before the switchover with Yitzhak Shamir — representatives of the tourism industry praised the initiative of the Federmann brothers — Yekutiel and Sam who arrived in then Palestine with just the clothes on their back.

With the acquisition earlier in the year of a 500-room, 5-star Tel Aviv facility now known as the Tel Aviv Dan Panorama, the Federmann's Dan chain has eight hotels.

Now, Sam Federmann's son, Ami, who is the general manager of the entire chain, has announced that his company has acquired a prime location in Eilat where it will construct a 400-room hotel. At the same time, the chain is considering acquiring a Panorama in Jerusalem.

Meanwhile, the Moriah Hotels, the offshoot of the Histadrut Federation of Labour's Hevrat Ovdim, has acquired the 308-room, 5-star Tel Aviv Plaza, located on the shoreline.

The latest move gives Moriah a long-sought hotel in Tel Aviv to officially be taken over on Jan. 1.

Moriah now has two hotels at the Dead Sea — the Moriah Spa (the only 5-star in the region), the Dead Sea Moriah Gardens, the Moriah Jerusalem and the Moriah Eilat.

In line with the development of the domestic hotels, the Tel Aviv Hilton has announced plans to enlarge its facilities. The 620-room Hilton, the largest 5-star facility in the country, is to reconstruct its Events and Banqueting Hall which will hold 3,000 persons (up from its current 1,000), while a new exhibition hall will have 1,000 square metres capacity.

Presently being added to the Hilton is a "Health Farm" which will supplement the existing Health and Sports Clubs.

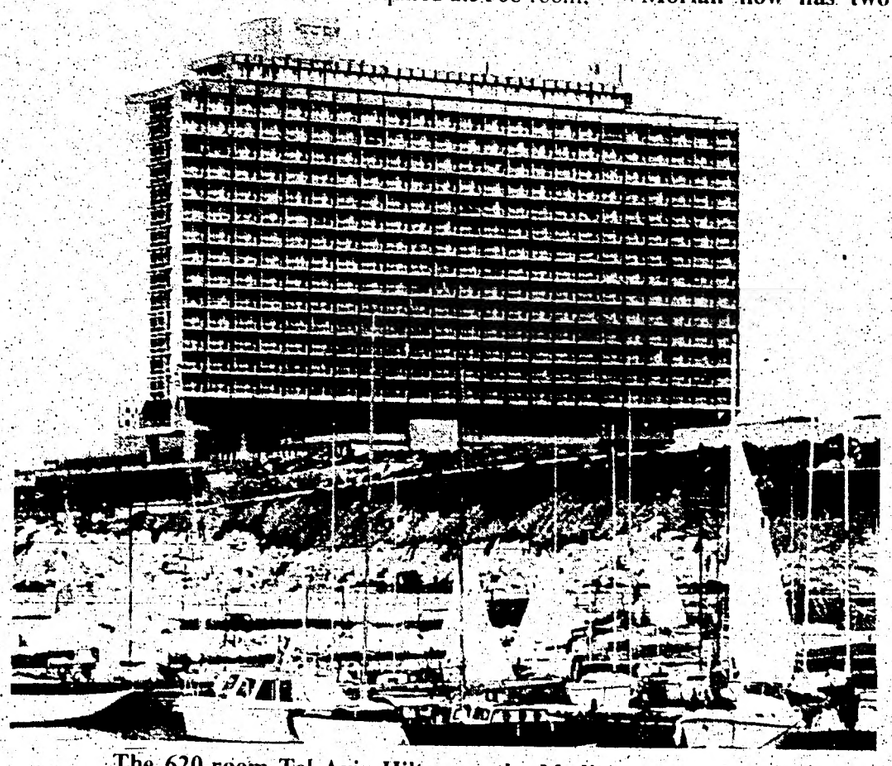
Peter van der Vliet, the general manager of the Tel Aviv Hilton, said that with the completion of the main development program at the end of 1988 or the beginning of 1989, the Hilton will have the biggest congress and convention centre of any hotel in the region.

Hilton meanwhile, is also looking for a suitable property in Eilat and, with the expected tourist development of Haifa, the company is also seeking to take up a hotel option there.

In Jerusalem, on Mount Scopus, the new 520-room Hyatt Regency is nearing completion and is expected to open in mid-1987. Not distant on the Mount of Olives, the 5-star Inter-Continental recently completed a $5 million expansion and development program.

Many other hotels are meanwhile starting to redecorate and refurbish in preparation for the tourism boom.

The Tel Aviv Dan has been completely redecorated and every room refurbished and most of the hotels in the domestic IRH chain are also getting a facelift — notably, the 5-star Herzlia Sharon and the Tel Aviv Sinai.



The 620-room Tel Aviv Hilton on the Mediterranean shore.

Travel

"You receive far more than you give"

Volunteers for Israel provides satisfying way to help

If the Volunteers for Israel program had a travel brochure, it might read "Fly El Al to Israel, meet the people, visit the land and learn to repair a truck plant a tree, clean an oil drum or paint a fence."

Since its inception in early 1983, Volunteers for Israel has accepted some 8,000 men and women to spend three weeks or more working alongside Israelis.

It may not be everyone's idea of a vacation, but most volunteers feel it provides them with much more satisfaction than seeing Israel through the windows of a tour bus.

The Volunteers for Israel program was the brainchild of one of Israel's most distinguished combat officers. Gen. Aharon Davidi, now retired, who headed the Israeli Paratroop Corps in the 1967 war.

During the Peace for Galilee campaign, Israel industry and agriculture experienced a critical shortage of manpower. Gen. Davidi helped solve this shortage by organizing a group of volunteers who paid their own way to Israel via El Al and worked in kibbutzim and industries short of labor.

Another area that was able to handle large numbers of volunteers was the army. Since that time, volunteers have flown from the United States, Canada (almost 50), Britain, France, South Africa and Mexico. Each year more countries are jumping on the band wagon. The program has its main office in Toronto with other contacts in major Canadian cities.

After an interview and all essential information is accepted, the volunteer will fly via El Al to Ben Gurion airport. He will then be assigned to a base in Israel.

The volunteers live four in a room in a regular barracks and are integrated into all the social activities on the base. Room and board is free and they get all the kosher food they can eat and all the Hebrew and Israeli culture they can absorb.

The work is done with on-the-job training and requires no previous experience. The satisfaction received is knowing that whatever work is done, you are helping to keep an Israeli at his civilian job and at home with his wife and children a little longer because you were there.

Batya Eisen and Zelda Eisen (not related) both expressed feelings of "feeling good" about their presence on the base.

"At first, the soldiers wondered about us. Why were these North Americans spending their vacation time getting covered with grease, paint, sweat, grime (and loving it), when they could be lying on the beaches or strolling the streets of Jerusalem? Very soon, they were seeing us as one of them. We were their partners and they welcomed our support and friendship. They wanted to know when we would return, perhaps permanently."

Melissa Muskat felt that "the three weeks I spent on the base seemed to fly by. It was an experience I will fondly remember. I gained a better understanding of Israeli life, met some remarkable people and had the chance to make a different kind of contribution to the State of Israel."

Mottle Goodbaum (now about to become a 2nd time volunteer with his wife Beverley) remarked upon completion of his 1st tour of duty, "You receive far more than you give and the experience is one that you want to repeat year after year."

Nathan Shuster, a very recent volunteer, expressed his feelings about his experience on the program.

"The sunrise over the Negev was an unforgetable sight as I jogged around the perimeters of the base . . . cool air, pink sky and white sand.

"Later in the day, the temperature would rise to 110. In the evening there were long conversations with reservists — Israelis from Poland, India, Iraq and Morocco. We spoke of the past, the difficult present and the hopeful future. Our dreams were the same. Indeed, we were and will continue to be one."

Video of program and speakers are available for groups. For more information please call (416) 781-6089, Toronto; (204) 943-6494, Winnipeg; (604) 266-5333, Vancouver; (403) 487-0901, Edmonton; (514) 934-0804, Montreal.

Melissa Muskat (right) and an American volunteer.

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Travel

Under supervision of Orthodox Rabbinate of Lugano

Swiss hotel combines kosher cuisine with the Alps

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Picture the scene: You've sat down to a strictly kosher gourmet meal after a strenuous day of skiing in the Swiss Alps. As you finish your sumptuous dessert, you look out the window, awed by the breathtaking view of jagged snowcapped peaks.

There aren't many places in Switzerland, or anywhere else for that matter, where you can enjoy a bracing day outdoors and still remain faithful to the laws of kasruth.

But you can if you go to Grindelwald and check into the Hotel Silberhorn.

A village of 5,000 inhabitants, Grindelwald lies in a scenic valley 1,100 metres above sea level, in the Bernese Oberland region, 3 hours from Zurich by train.

Grindelwald, which lives on tourism, is busy pretty much most of the year. Skiiers come in winter and hikers and nature buffs in summer.

There are over 50 hotels in Grindelwald, but Silberhorn is the only kosher one.

Meir Wagner, Silberhorn's chief promoter, was in Toronto and in Montreal recently to sing its praises.

Silberhorn was founded 60 years ago by the Kahn family. After marrying a Kahn, Wagner became part of the management team. Today, he and his wife, Ruth, a third-generation Swiss Jew, run the Silberhorn.

A 4-star hostelry, Silberhorn has 40 double and single rooms and 15 1- to 3-room suites. A new wing was added in 1984.

The newly-built synagogue has a seating capacity of 130, and the convention centre can accommodate 300.

Silberhorn's dining room, which can seat some 200 guests, faces the north face of the Eiger, a peak which has claimed the lives of many climbers.

The cuisine is a mixture of East European, Swiss, French and Italian. The hotel bakery turns out fresh pastry and croissants.

The kitchen is under the supervision of the Orthodox rabbinate of Lugano.

Silberhorn, which Wagner claims is the "most luxurious kosher hotel in Europe," has sports facilities like a sauna and a fitness room. Golf and horseback riding are available in nearby Interlaken.

An 8-minute walk from Grindelwald's train station, Silberhorn is close to ski slopes and glaciers.

Wagner, a Romanian Jew by birth, is the only Jewish member of Grindelwald's tourist board. He is also a consultant on Jewish affairs for Swissair, and edits the *Guide to Kosher Hotels and Restaurants in Europe*, distributed by Swissair.

Silberhorn's clientele is truly international. Forty percent are Americans, 20% Israelis and most of the rest European.

For the winter season, Wagner is offering a basic 7-night package that includes 7 breakfasts and 7 4-course dinners.

Information can be obtained by writing, phoning (036-532822) or telexing (923281) the hotel.

The Hotel Silberhorn in winter.

Jewish guide to Argentina

NEW YORK —

Argentina: A Guide for the Jewish Traveler, an illustrated brochure for the U.S. and Canadian Jewish tourist market, has been issued by Aerolineas Argentinas, the country's national air carrier.

This guide should arouse new interest and instill a strong desire to participate in a novel and unforgettable journey of Jewish discovery," says Arturo Muzzio, general manager of Aerolineas Argentinas for North and Central America.

Although Jews had made their way to Argentina after the Spanish expulsion and were to be found in significant numbers, but merged into the general population throughout the preceding centuries, it was not until the late 19th century, that they came in waves.

First they arrived from Germany and other Western European countries, and then from Poland and Russia, to become a large Ashkenazi movement. They were shortly followed by groups of Jews from the Middle East and Mediterranean countries, and thus the Sephardim joined their Eastern European brothers.

Many settled in Buenos Aires, but large agricultural colonies were established not too far from the great city in the provinces of Buenos Aires, Santa Fe, Entre Rios, and La Pampa by philanthropist Baron Maurice de Hirsh.

Outstanding among these is Moiseville (Kiryat Moshe), the first Jewish colony, founded in 1889 and still going strong. It is well worth a visit to this settlement to see the famed "Jewish Gauchos" producing wheat and cattle for the Argentine economy.

This is the first time that the airline has prepared a publication specifically designed to bring its Jewish community of 250,000 to the attention of their fellow Jews in the United States and Canada.

The guide describes in detail the many facets of Jewish life in Argentina: its history, its synagogues, clubs, cultural attractions, restaurants, its schools and institutes, and the community's organizational network.

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Not only is Buenos Aires, one of the great cosmopolitan centres of the world covered, but there are separate sections on such charming cities as Cordoba, Mendoza, Mar del Plata, Salta, Tucuman and Bariloche.

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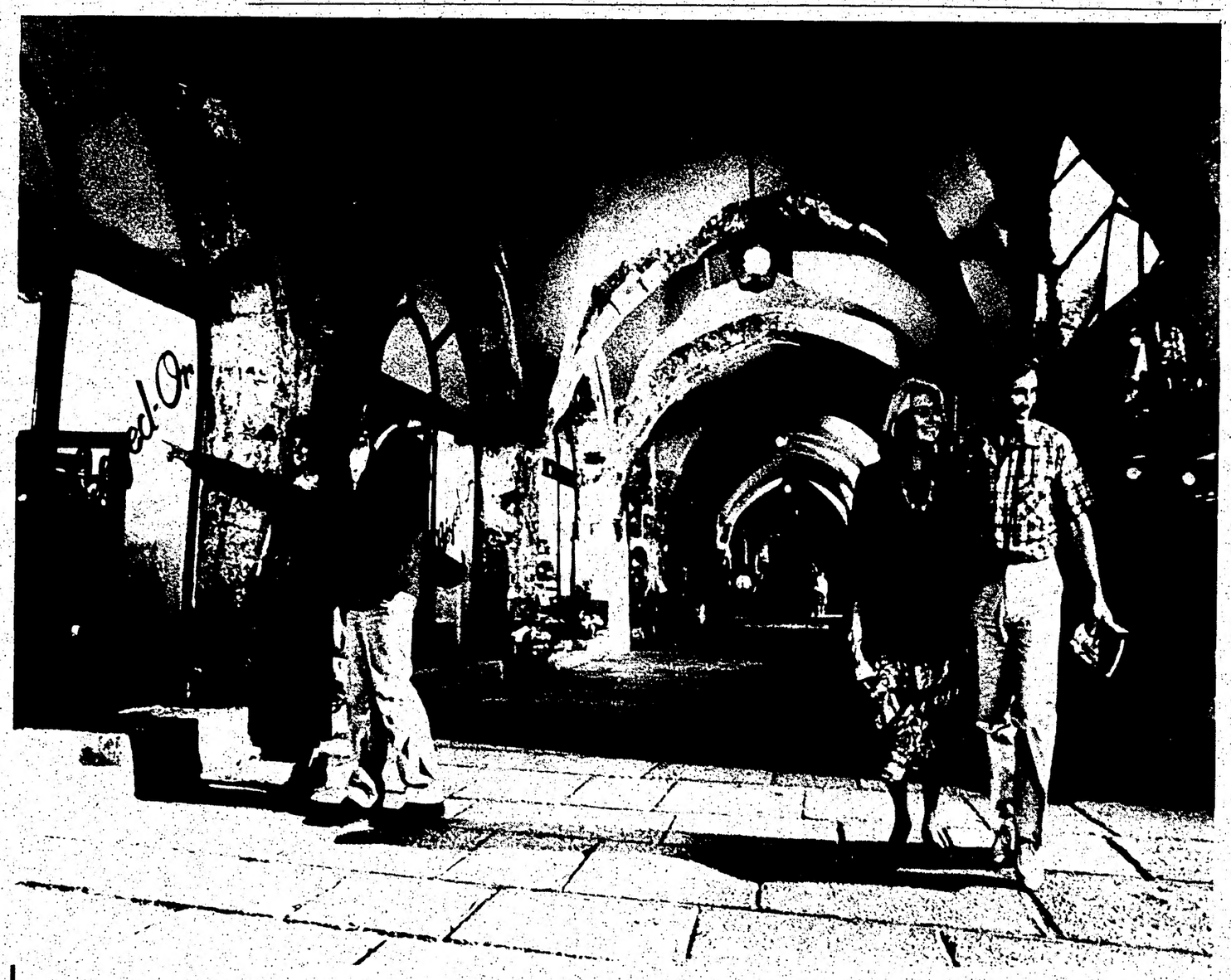

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Travel

Exotic island an easy escape from cold winters

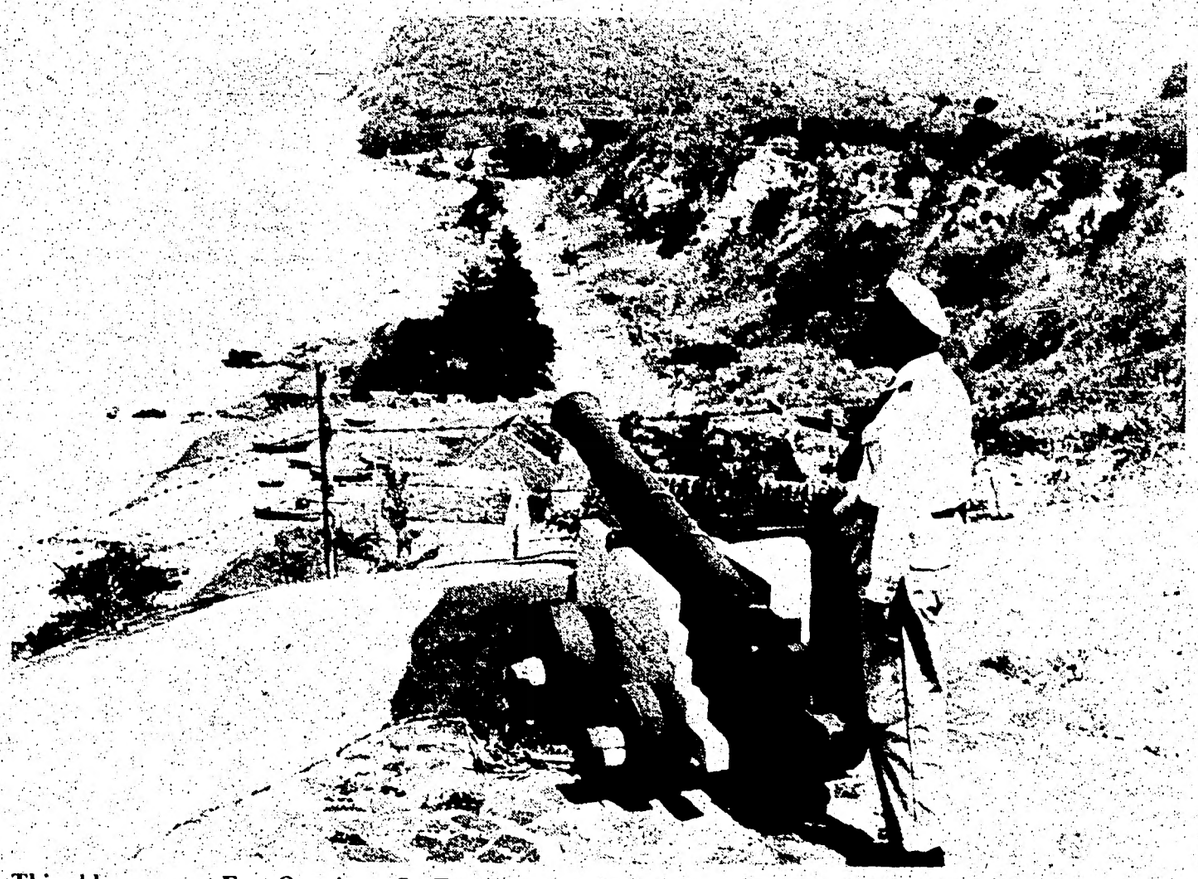
Oldest synagogue in Americas one charm of Curacao

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao —

Not long ago this island, along with a few more in the Caribbean, were known as the Netherlands Antilles. Now the islands are no longer colonies of Holland, but part of its commonwealth, independent to a certain extent. Today they are also more easily accessible for those who want to escape the cold winter. It is always warm in the Caribbean islands with the Dutch atmosphere.

Curacao is perhaps best known of the islands among winter vacationers. Cruise ships come here for a day or so to let passengers go sightseeing among the pastel colored houses of Netherlands architecture, to visit the casino and enjoy the numerous duty-free shops near the waterfront.



This old cannon at Fort Oranje on St. Eustatius in the Netherlands Antilles, was among the first to salute the newly independent United States in 1776. There are ruins here of a synagogue of that time.

Beautiful island views

This is not an island of long stretches of sandy beaches — the beaches are few and mostly rocky. But you certainly can sun yourself at the resort hotels and the rocky beaches. And if you wend your way to former Fort Nassau on the highest point, there is a beautiful view of the island and its sea approaches, the pontoon and swing bridge across to the harbor, and the oil refineries along part of the shore. At night the flames from the refineries can be seen from many vantage points.

There is a daily open food market along the waterfront where coastal ships from nearby Venezuela in South America bring produce, fish and other foodstuffs. The stands are protected from the blazing sun with colorful awnings. There is also an air-conditioned market.

Of interest to Jewish vacationers is the Mikve Israel Synagogue, built in 1732, and now the oldest synagogue in the Americas. Built by Sephardi Jews from Amsterdam, it is patterned after the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue in Amsterdam, with a wall around it.

Inside are copper chandeliers and candlesticks as in Amsterdam, a balcony for the ladies to sit separately, a sanded floor.

The synagogue is stucco, painted a pastel yellow, its windows mostly open to catch the breeze from the sea. Close by is an old Jewish cemetery in use for over 300 years and ruins of older synagogues found in recent years. The synagogue is used all year by the local small Jewish population and the many winter visitors.

Not far away are other signs of long established Dutch rule, the government house where there is a daily formal changing of the guard ceremony, the Queen Emma pontoon-swing bridge which opens to allow ocean shipping in and out, and the new highlevel bridge connecting sections of the city.

A little further west is the island of Aruba, which became independent last year. It is also the base of oil refineries, but here there are miles of fine sand beaches and resort hotels.

Winter vacationers have helped the island's economy. There is little agriculture, there has been some phosphate and gold mining in the past. Deepsea fishing is popular while the nearby coral reefs are alive with schools of colorful tropical fish.

Venezuela is but 15 miles (24 kilometres) off shore and supplies much of the island's produce. Cruise ships call here frequently, and like other islands in the neighborhood, duty-free shopping is a major attraction.

Just east of Curacao is Bonaire, an island of 112 square miles, best known for its colorful flamingos. The big birds can be seen here on the beaches as well as in flight. There are other tropical birds in large numbers, green parrots, herons, parakeets and pelicans to name a few.

Skin-diving and spear-fishing among the coral reefs is popular on Bonaire where resorts have been built in recent years on white sand beaches. The capital and main town is Kralendijk, another pastel-colored replica of ancestral Holland.

Further north, not far from Puerto Rico, are three more Dutch Caribbean islands, Saba, St. Martin and St. Eustatius. On St. Martin you can be in two different countries, for a third of the island is part of the Netherlands Antilles and the rest is a colony of France. In Dutch it is St. Maarten and the town is Philipsburg. Its good beaches have been utilized to attract tourists, now a mainstay of the economy.

Saba is an extinct volcano, covering barely 5 square miles. This is not a tourist destination, but makes for a sidetrip from St. Martin. The small town called the Bottom is 800 feet above sea level on the floor inside the extinct volcano. You have to climb up the volcano wall to get inside to the town.

St. Eustatius is also an extinct volcano, but has some beach and a few small guest houses for vacationers. It once was an important spot where the Dutch settlers supplied arms to the English colonies during the American Revolution of the 1770s. Today there are few people on the island which was honored in 1939 with a plaque for its part in the battles of over 200 years ago. For Jewish visitors there is of interest the ruins of a synagogue of the days when the island prospered two centuries ago.

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Australia's largest city

Lively ambience fills Jewish community in Sydney

By
GABE LEVENSON

SYDNEY, Australia — With so many favorable auguries attending the first day of Rosh Hashanah here, 5747 should be a very good year, indeed, for the 30,000 Jews of this country's largest city.

Oct. 4 marked not only the New Year for that community; it was the day also when the entire nation celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Royal Australian Navy. Under a benign, cloudless sky and warm sun — it is now spring Down Under — the magnificent Sydney harbor was alive with the huge, gray hulks of battleships and with dainty, white sailing vessels passing in review before no less a heavy hitter than the Duke of Edinburgh, and himself a direct descendant (like the Queen) of the great Victoria.

Phillip's exalted eminence probably assures him of a shorter voyage to heaven than that of the thousands of Australian sailors who crowded the narrow lanes of The Rocks — where the first 751 convict-settlers (a dozen Jews among them) landed in 1788 — who thronged the broad promenade of the Circular Quay — from which the commuter ferries emerge, shuttling passengers between downtown Sydney and the northern suburbs across the harbor — and who danced the night away at King's Cross, the city's raucous melange of Times Square and Greenwich Village.

The Aussies in blue were joined by the men of the USS Missourii, which had sailed into port to enrich the occasion with a thunderous salute from its nine 16-inch guns. The fabled "Mighty Mo," fireshield for the storming of Iwo Jima and Okinawa, won its place in history when General Douglas MacArthur took the final Japanese surrender from its foredeck, in Tokyo Bay.

After 30 years in mothballs, the gigantic leviathan has been recommissioned, with the installation of 32 Tomahawk cruise missiles and 16 Harpoon ship-to-ship missiles — more fire-power than the combined salvos of all the musketry, the cannons and the bombs in history.

I prayed for peace and human survival on the eve of Rosh Hashanah in the Great Synagogue, Sydney's best-known Jewish landmark, with its twin towers (once the highest in the city) and its fussily elegant Victorian interior.

Oldest of the city's 20 Orthodox synagogues and two Liberal (Reform) temples, the Great retains the formality of its Anglo-Jewish founders. For Rosh Hashanah services, its rabbi, Raymond Apple (the first native-born Australian to be ordained), wore the long, white robes and the tall, round headpieces favored by the European rabbinate; the four officers of the congregation were dressed in the long-tailed morning coats and high silk hats of English gentlemen.

The Great Synagogue is in the heart of town, at 5 Elizabeth St., opposite Hyde Park. In addition to Sabbath and daily worship, it has a Judaica shop, a fine museum (open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12 to 4 p.m.) and an excellent library. Tours of the synagogue and lectures on its history can be arranged by calling 267-2477.

While congregants of the Great Synagogue still adhere to Anglo-Jewish ritual, the worshippers in the score of synagogues dispersed throughout Sydney's suburbs reflect the traditions of Central Europe. The community is made up, for the most part, of Holocaust survivors and their children, from Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia. It tends to be somewhat more secular, less tightly organized and certainly more widely scattered than the Melbourne community, whose life style is still largely influenced by its origins in the shtetls of Poland.

If there is any concentration of Jews in Sydney, it is in Bondi, the site of two Jewish bookshops, several kosher groceries and bakeries and a Chinese kosher vegetarian restaurant, the only one in the southern hemisphere — Wei-Song, 96 Bronte Rd.; 389-3108.

Not kosher but totally Jewish in its ambience, cuisine and patronage is the Hakoah Club, 61 Hall St.; 303-344. It is the place to meet the Jews of Sydney, to play the rows of slot machines (which support charitable institutions) and to drink a convivial glass of seltzer. I am told that the club consumes more of that indigenous Jewish beverage, per capita, than any other place in all the world.

Kosher food is available downtown, near the Great Synagogue, at the B'nai B'rith Center, 20-38 Yurong Rd.; 336-035. Its restauranteur, Tibby Genadt & Sons, supplies a superb line of kosher meals for both Qantas and Air New Zealand, the air carriers which fly from North America to Sydney and Melbourne.

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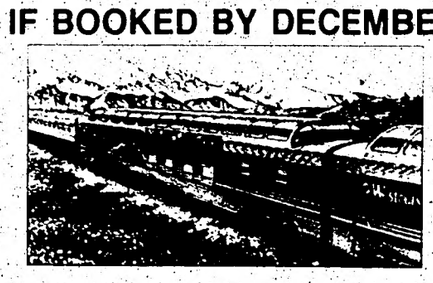

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Travel

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New Orleans offers charming display of sights, sounds

By
DIANE BURCHELL

Diane Burchell

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Adventurous can try helicopter skiing in Quebec

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

MURDOCHVILLE, Que. —

There will be helicopter skiing next spring, near this small copper mining town, from March to May. It will likely be the only area in Eastern Canada where you can take a helicopter to virgin snow mountain tops in the Chik Choc range of the Appalachian Mountains.

One-and two-day heli-skiing packages are planned for the adventurous and expert skiers by Orbitours (56 St. Pierre Street, Suite 101, Post Box 129, Quebec City G1R 4P3). The same outfit has heli-skiing in the Monashee Mountains of the Alberta-British Columbia border region.

Heli-skiing in this part of the Gaspe will be in an area where snowcapped mountains are 3,750 feet (1,100 metres) high. A day of heli-skiing with mountain guide, a night's accommodation and three meals will be $349. Two-day packages, with two nights hotel and six meals, plus transportation from Montreal or Quebec will cost $829, with a minimum of 15 persons in the group. And there are also packages combining skiing at Mont Ste. Anne near Quebec City and heli-skiing in Gaspesia for $1,189 per person.

Throughout Quebec province ski areas are prepared for the first skiers, many of whom come with the first snows. Ski slopes have been groomed, new snowmaking equipment installed, and hotels readied.

There is skiing north of Montreal in a series of picturesque villages in the Laurentian Mountains. North shore of St. Lawrence River has skiing in the Quebec City region as well as further east of La Malbaie (Murray Bay). Along the south shore of the river there is skiing in the Eastern Townships near Sherbrooke and now the Gaspe Peninsula has been added as a ski territory, inland and near the coast.

In the Laurentians there are plenty of ski schools to help the novice as well as the competent skier. For instance, at one of the oldest ski resorts, Gray Rocks at Lake Ouimet, if you come for a 1-week ski package, you can get up to 22 hours of instruction in as many as 51 levels of instruction.

Ski weeks are well established in the Laurentians at resorts in the Mount Tremblant area or at resorts near St. Jovite, Morin-Heights, Ste. Agathe, Piedmont and many others. These ski weeks account for six nights lodging and seven days of skiing, with rates from as low as $200 to as high as $875, depending on accommodation, whether in luxury hotel or motel.

There are also weekend package rates, or even 1-day ski rates, including lift fees and a night's lodging. The evening's at some places include entertainment by top nightclub stars, and practically all the food is usually continental or French-Canadian.

Ski trains out of Montreal operate frequently, and the highways are kept clear of snow.

In the Quebec City area there is skiing within the city as well as in the suburban areas of Lac Beauport and nearby Mont St. Anne where there is a gondola lift, the only one in Eastern Canada, to take skiers to near the 2,650 feet (808 metres) top. There are a variety of ski lifts to take skiers to the summit, from where there are long vertical drops for Alpine skiers, a total of 35 ski trails, and facilities for cross-country skiing as well. The view of the St. Lawrence River from the summit alone is worth the trip up.

South of Montreal are the Eastern Townships where skiing has been developed over the past two decades with runs on the low rounded mountains and cross-country skiing around Bromont, Orford, Sutton and near Sherbrooke. This is the northern section of the mountain playground which has made skiing so popular in the nearby states of Vermont and Maine.

As in other parts of Quebec, there is snowmaking machinery at most of the resorts in case Mother Nature does not supply enough of the white stuff. Here also are a variety of ski package rates from one night to weekends to a full week of skiing, with or without meals. (When you read the prices in brochures you have to get used to the new Quebec method of seeing the $ sign after the amount, rather than ahead of the numbers, as in the rest of Canada.)

Further east is the Gaspe country, where in addition to the helicopter skiing you can also ski in the usual way, going up mountain sides in a variety of ski lifts. Accommodations are growing in numbers. (One thing you have to learn about the Gaspe country — there seems only one dessert at meals — maple sugar pie!)

For more information on ski packages and ski areas in Quebec, contact the Quebec Tourist Office, 20 Queen St. W., Toronto M5H 3S3, or your travel agent.

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Travel

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Cruises bring out true grandeur of beautiful places

By
RENATA EISEN & SHELAGH KLAVIR

A cruise can be anything from a 2-day sailing to nowhere on a 2,000-ton ship from Miami, to a 90-day Around the World cruise on a super luxury liner. But, in most of us, it evokes pictures of the blue Caribbean, with emphasis on life on board ship; the ports of call just a punctuation along the way. This is a wonderful leisurely, sun vacation, but perhaps you would like to consider one of the other options.

There are many aspects of ocean travel. There is scenery that only displays its true grandeur when seen from aboard a ship. When it comes to the fjords of Norway, most people run out of adjectives. The words "spectacular" and "magnificent" pale at the sight of these awesome works of art formed by glaciers eons ago.

Alaska has been called the greatest show on earth. You will sail through what early explorers named the Inside Passage, past sheer rock cliffs and virgin forests, rugged mountains and wildlife. There is no better way to take it all in than aboard a luxury cruise liner.

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On a different scale is riverboat cruising. It takes you through the real countryside and gives you a closeup view of life in rural areas such that is missed when traveling along the main thoroughfares. It can be as peaceful as river barging in France, as adventurous a sailing on the mighty Amazon, or as exciting as running the gorges on the Yangtze River.

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Health spa programs promote healthier lifestyle

By
RON FEIN

I have had the privilege of visiting several health spas and resorts in the United States, Israel and Mexico. The old idea that these facilities are only for the elderly, unhealthy or very wealthy is a misconception.

Although most spas and fitness resorts do have specific programs for seniors and can assist with therapy, these spas are now also dealing with changing individual lifestyles for the purpose of a healthier and thus a longer life.

Most have several common elements. They offer a fitness package of exercise and sports; an educational package teaching individuals how to change their lifestyles, diet, fitness, time management, stress management, pampering package — massage, facials, herbal wraps, loofah massage, beauty salons, whirlpool baths; meal plan — three nutritionally balanced meals per day.

Ron Fein

This, however, is where the similarity ends and where you need a "spa expert" to assist you in deciding on the right spa to fulfil your individual needs.

Some spas are very basic, offering simple accommodations, limited facilities or they may just be a small portion of a very large all-inclusive resort hotel.

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There are spas that have "specials" such as Safety Harbour Spa in Tampa, Florida which is payable in Canadian funds at par during spring, summer and fall and Rancho La Puerta in Mexico which offers 50% off for the second person sharing during the month of August.

There are spas which are "exclusively spas." This means that all persons staying at the hotel (spa) are on some kind of spa program. Then there are spas that have gourmet dining rooms, conference facilities, golf and tennis, and many other facilities along with "the spa" to meet the needs of all members of a family or employees of large corporations planning business meetings.

The choice is yours and you really cannot lose. Each and every spa I visited was immensely enjoyable and really made me feel better both physically and mentally. The secret is being able to take the newly acquired lifestyle skills and incorporating them into your routine at home.

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Timsit proved others wrong

Researcher films atoms of metal

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A Tunisian-born Jewish, senior scientist with Alcan International Ltd.'s Research and Development Centre here is the first researcher to photograph individual atoms of a metal, such as aluminum in which the particles are extremely close.

The discovery, says Dr. Roland Timsit, will help producers of sophisticated equipment see structural defects and impurities, and therefore build more powerful and reliable devices.

As a result of his work, Timsit was recently invited to, and attended a 10-day joint research visit at Oxford University.

Though atomic structures had been recorded on film in 1984, Timsit was the first to photograph the individual atoms of a metal.

"They had seen blobs (made of several atoms) in compounds, but not single atoms," he says, adding that he was "the first to look at the interface of metals with their surface oxides," to see not just atoms but also their environment.

Examining the interface, he explains, could provide information on how to correct defects in the atomic bonds between the two materials.

Ironically, Timsit developed his viewing method at an Oxford laboratory where scientists had earlier suggested to him that it could not be done.

The researchers at Oxford's department of metallurgy and science of materials implied that the pictures he wanted to take with their special electron microscope were beyond its capacity of resolution and would come out blurred.

But Timsit successfully pursued his process at the university during a 1-year sabbatical from Alcan.

The key to his success, he says, was in preparing a thin enough sample of aluminum. The thinner the wafer, the smaller the chance of the electron beam — which passes through the wafer and onto the electron-sensitive film — to become distorted.

The breakthrough finally came after Timsit mastered a special $2,000 diamond knife which he accidentally found at Oxford.

Commenting on Timsit's work, Queen's University physics professor Michael Sayer said: "He's doing things that you really shouldn't be able to do. I think it's pushing the limits of electron microscopy."

On his recent return trip to Oxford, Timsit came to compare notes on viewing the structure of gallium arsenide, a substance used in microwave circuitry and infrared sensors.

Timsit and his wife Erella (from Haifa) are members of Beth Israel Synagogue. Their sons Yoav, 13, and Ilan 11, are doing well in both their secular and Hebrew studies, he reports.

Timsit came to Canada in 1957 and received his PhD in atomic physics from the University of Toronto (his work is now in solid state physics), did post-doctoral research at the Technion, and came to Kingston in 1973.

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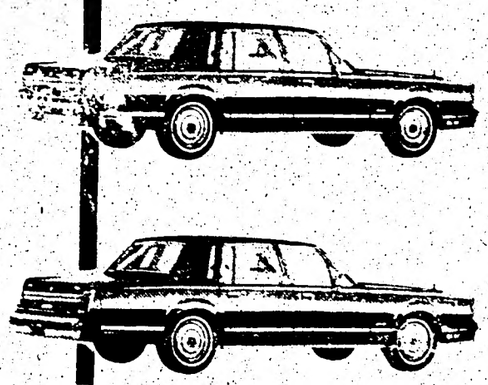
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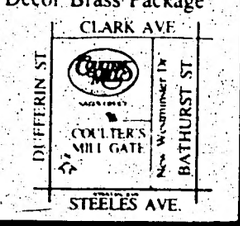

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$289,000. Leslie-York Mills close to French immersion P/S. 3 bdrm. sidesplit. Master ensuite, beautiful fam. rm. + den on w/o level. H. Cohen/R. Baker 449-2020.

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$2,589,000. The Bridle Path, 7,000 sq. ft. of luxury built by Sonada Homes. Nestled on 2 acres with inground pool & tennis court. Hanni Elbadawi, 449-2020.

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$759,000. Georgian elevation, circular drive, grand room sizes, superb flow, separate liv./din. rms. Sep. bdrm. wing, w/o lower level, help qtrs. S. Kert 449-2020.

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BAYVIEW-BLYTHWOOD LAST 1 "NEW"
$699,000. Sensational court of 5 new homes. Custom designed over 3,800'. Ravine like setting. Spring possession. Barbara Barker/Heddy Blaug, 449-2020.

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$649,000. Wonderful location, beautiful lot. W/O D.R. to patio. Den, pan. rec. rm., 3 bdrms., master ensuite. Security system. Barbara Glenny-Bunting, 449-2020.

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AVENUE RD. & LAWRENCE — 3 STOREY
$559,000. 5 bdrm., tudor style, centre hall, finished basement, fireplace, gunnite pool, close to Allenby & Havergal schools. Immed. poss. Germaine McLorie, 449-2020.

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$495,000. Gracious family home close to all amenities. Large liv. rm., fireplace. Deluxe new kit. & brkfst. rm. Private gdn. Barbara Glenny-Bunting, 449-2020.

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OPPORTUNITY — LOWER VILLAGE
$479,000. Exceptional main flr. fam. rm., 4 bdrms., 4 pc. ens. Lovely lot. 1987 poss. Beverley Colman, 487-4343.

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$399,000. East Annex substantial 3 storey detached, 3-4 bdrm. in-town house, garage, private drive, just west of Avenue Rd. & Yorkville. Allan Consky, 487-4343.

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$530,000 Penthouse apartment to be finished to suit. Cathedral ceiling. Skylights. Fireplace, Sauna. Panoramic view of the city. Security. Million dollar rec centre. Naomi Fruitman 441-2888.

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OBITUARIES

Amzalag, Anna on November 7, 1986, late of The Baycrest Hospital.
Oelbaum, Rabbi Ignatz on November 4, 1986, late of 33 Wilmington Ave.
Rosen, Sidney on November 2, 1986, late of 5 Leila Lane.
Schwartz, Mordechai on November 3, 1986, lte of Baycrest Home For The Aged.
Shulman, Samuel on November 3, 1986, late of 3303 Don Mills Rd.

Steeles-College Memorial Chapel

OBITUARIES

Harold Rubin on Oct. 29/86, late of Leisure World Nursing Home.
Gerald Nashman on Oct. 31/86, late of 716 West Mall, #809, Etobicoke.
Irwin Merker on Nov. 1/86, late of 1201 Steeles Ave. W., #806, Willowdale.
Kate Hamburger on Oct. 31/86, late of 2515 Bathurst, #905.
Etti Ostre on Nov. 1/86, late of Baycrest.
Joseph Berkovich on Oct. 31\$/86, late of 8 Kingsbridge Crt., #201.
Sarah Stepak on Nov. 1/86, late of 6200 Bathurst St., +103.
Esther Norek on Nov. 1/86, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.
Elliott Siegel on Nov. 2/86, late of 110 Confederation Way, Thornhill.
Ida Scott on Oct. 30/86, late of Baycrest.
Sarah Zeidenberg on Nov. 1/86, late of 3 Goldfinch Crt., #603.
Norman Mills on Nov. 2/86, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.
Lauren Hiltz on Nov. 2/86, late of 36 Dundurn Cres., Thornhill.
Levy Rosenbaum on Nov. 5/86, late of 4 Blairville Rd., Dwns.
Max Rubin on Nov. 5/86, late of Baycrest.
Herbert Senderowitz on Nov. 5/86, late of 3894 Bathurst St., #304.

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***MAXWELL-WILMINGTON 3 BEDROOM SIDESPLIT**
W/O from modern kitchen to spacious deck and lovely garden. Den & finished bsmt. Dble garage. 3 washrms. Appliances. B.B.Q. New roof. New kitchen. Rita Brown 665-2296.

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Beautifully decorated, 4 bdrm., near all amenities, approx. 2,700 sq. ft., fully upgraded! Michael Spagat, 731-7111.

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Spotless, 3 bdrm. townhouse. Master ensuite, fam. rm., w/o, excellent value! Ellen Fisher, 731-7111.

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Spacious updated Victorian, 3 storey, 5 bdrms, 4 baths. 3 equip'd kit. 2 fireplaces, dble garage. Zoned multi family. Sylvia Naftolin 488-2875.

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Charming home on quiet street. 4 spacious bdrms. Walkout lower level. Potential nanny's quarters. Garage. South facing lot. Jeffrey Wagman 488-2875.

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Trend setting design! 2 storey entry! Skylights! Sauna living room! 2 fireplaces! Oversized master bdrm! W/O family room! Sauna! 4 years new! $579,000. Eleanor Wagman/Judy Silverberg 488-2875.

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Elegant living and dining rooms. Library + sun filled family room on main. Designer kitchen, walkout to large garden. 5 bdrms. (master features sep. dressing area and spacious marble bath). Totally renovated. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

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Handsome Tudor with contemporary addition. Features a total of 17 rooms. Included is a grand living area with museum quality - antique marble, leaded glass windows, plank flooring, garden room & atrium with flagstone floors. 6 spacious bdrms + servants quarters. Oppulent ravine gardens surround this most unusual offering. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

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$238,900 Priced to sell! Stunning 4 bdrm. executive loaded with upgrades. Must see!!
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Upgraded 4 bdrm sidesplit, bright eat-in kit., oak cupboards with roll-out drawers, ceramics, gleaming strip hrdwd. flrs., fin. in-law bsmt. apt. with private entrance, new roof, furn. ++ E. Gelbart 881-9131/731-2500.

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Lux. 2 bdrm. condo, many upgrades, steps to everything.

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4 bdrm. custom built, separate liv./din., lg. kitch., imported ceramic flrs., 4 bths., walk-out bsmnt., dble. gar., don't miss!

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BATHURST-STEELES
6 rms., 3 bd SOLD good-sized liv. & d bsmnt., gar., lg. lot.

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BATHURST-CLARK
2 storey, 4 bdrms., good sized liv./din., mod. kitch., w/o, fam. rm., firepl., mn. flr. laundry, dble. gar.

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BATHURST/SHEPPARD
Custom-built 4 bdrm., fam. rm., good SOLD liv/din., up-to-date w/o, mn. flr. laundry, fin. bsmnt, Dble. gar.

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BATHURST-STEELES
$164,900. Brick det., 2 storey, 3 good-sized bdrms., 2 bths., modern kitch., 5 appls., central air, rec rm., gar. A-1 buy.

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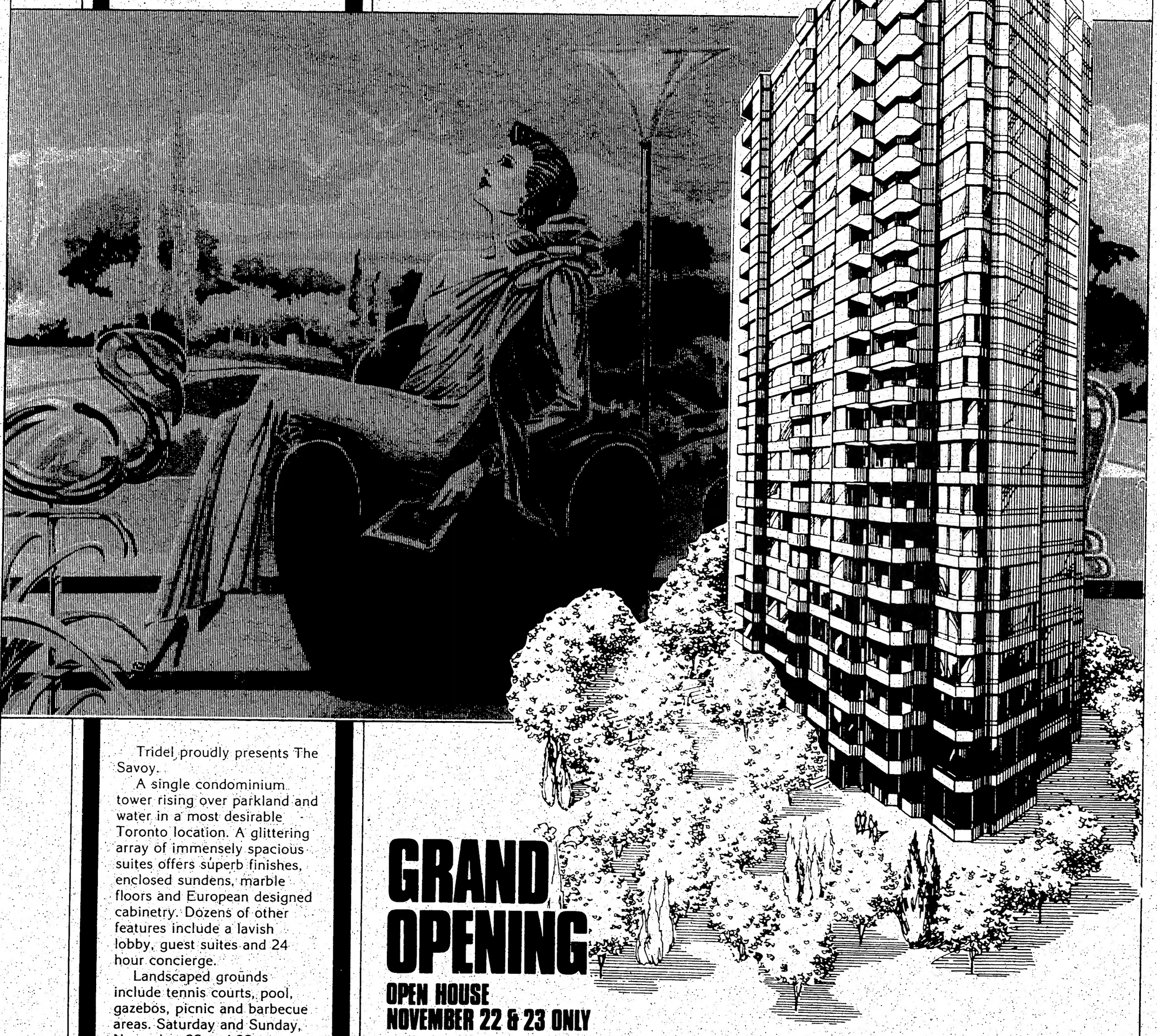

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